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Crisis' searches up 1,000 percent on Google

The number of Portuguese researching the word 'crisis' rose 1,000 per cent between September and October 2008, while those looking for the meaning of the word 'recession' increased by nearly 500 percent. (See Page 4)

Driest March in a decade

According to data released this week by Portugal's Met Office (IM), last March on the mainland was "hot" and also the driest of the past 11 years. (See Page 5)

Immigrant unemployment doubles

The number of unemployed immigrants enrolled in job centres across Portugal has risen by almost 50 per cent in one year, and during the first two months of 2009 the rise was 27 per cent, according to the Institute for Employment and Professional Training (IEFP). (See Page 7)

Red Devils given hell by Dragons

Manchester United's bid to successfully defend their Champions League trophy was this week teetering on a knife's edge after they were held to a 2-2 draw at home by an inspired FC Porto. The deciding match takes place next Wednesday in Oporto. (See Page 56)

Weekend weather

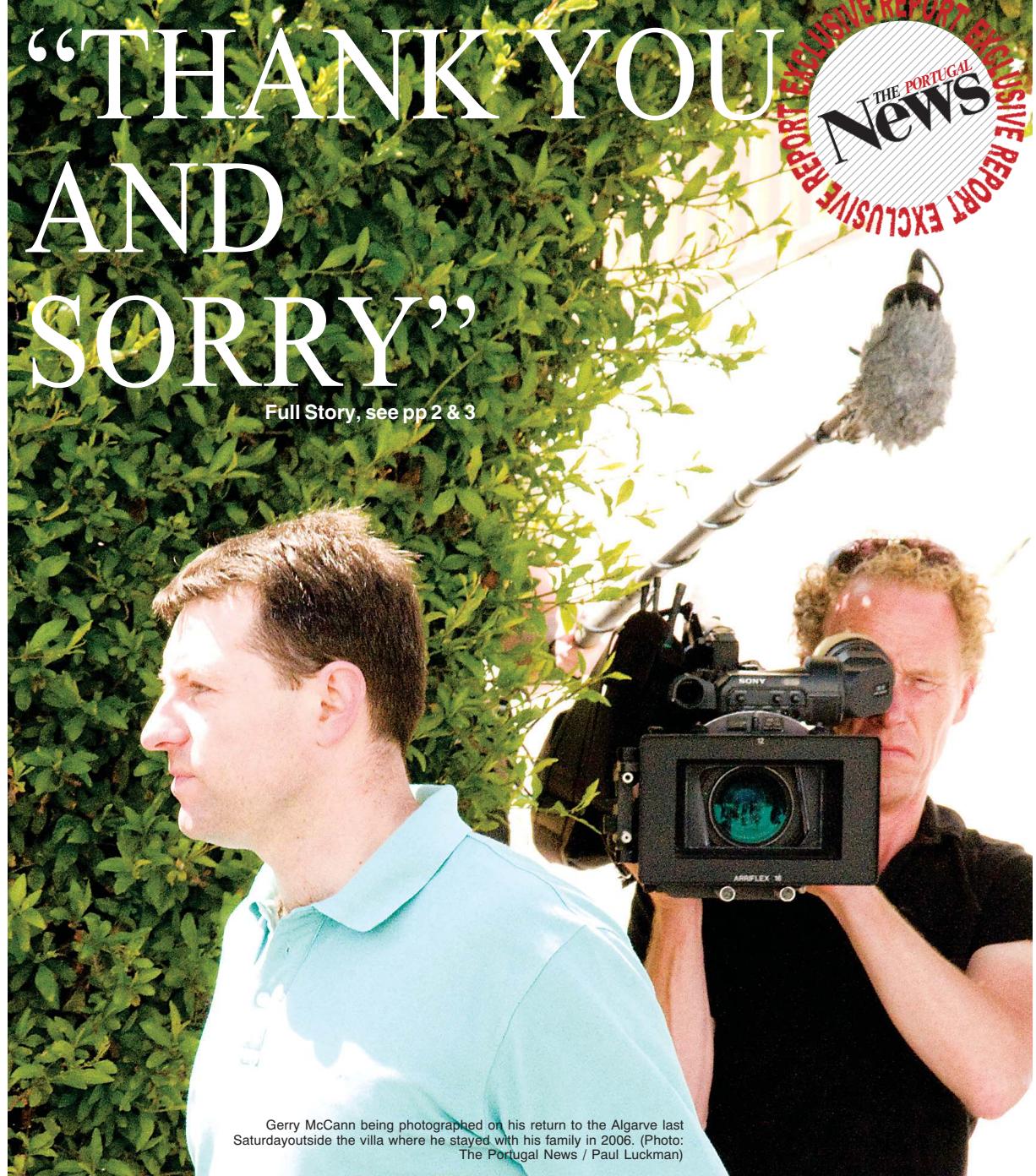
Lisbon: Lisbon will once again enjoy a spring-like weekend with no rain forecast. Maximum temperatures will be well in their teens and early 20s. **Faro:** Some cloud cover is expected on Sunday, but spring will be very much in the air this weekend, with temperatures sitting around the 20-degree mark. **Oporto:** The north will experience scattered showers, with temperatures sitting in their mid teens.

Upcoming holidays in Portugal:

Friday May 1. Some shops and offices may be closed.



Exclusive: Gerry McCann looks to appease local population in wake of filming in Praia da Luz



Gerry McCann being photographed on his return to the Algarve last Saturday outside the villa where he stayed with his family in 2006. (Photo: The Portugal News / Paul Luckman)



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"Thank you and sorry"



Breaking a silence lasting several months, the father of missing toddler Madeleine McCann this week spoke exclusively to **The Portugal News** about the ongoing search to find his daughter. He also spoke of the effects Madeleine's disappearance has had on his family. Gerry McCann singled out the local community for praise and expressed appreciation for all the sacrifices they have been forced to endure the past two years, such as the negative impact the case has had on jobs and tourism in the area. He also admitted that cash in the Find Madeleine Fund is now only a few months away from being exhausted.

Shortly before leaving for Faro Airport on Sunday afternoon culminating what had been a whirlwind visit to Praia da Luz, Gerry McCann sat down in a Praia da Luz hotel room for his first media interview in months.

"I can totally understand that people want to move on", said Mr McCann when questioned over the apparent animosity towards him on Saturday when he visited the site of his daughter's disappearance.

"They don't want the media intrusion and the negative association with Madeleine's abduction. Forme, and this is going right back to 2007 – I didn't feel any evil around Praia da Luz or anywhere else in Portugal. What happened here could have happened anywhere in the world", argued a composed and soft-spoken Mr McCann.

"Actually, the amazing response we had from the community was incredibly important to us", he said.

As for the heckling by a small group of middle-aged locals who had been monitoring filming closely since Saturday morning, Mr McCann said: "That aspect was everything I had hoped could be avoided", by keeping the visit under wraps.

He had demanded the utmost secrecy from all those involved in the weeks leading up to the filming of the television documentary by Merton Media for the May 7th showing of the programme Cutting Edge on Channel 4.

He repeatedly expressed regret at the negative impact his daughter's disappearance has had on the region.

"I am sorry for any harm caused to Praia da Luz", he said, before repeating an earlier request: "I specifically want to thank the local population for all their support and tolerance."

But news of the sacking of more than half of the staff at Ocean Club resort shortly before his fleeting visit was met with regret by the man whose leftist political stance is well-documented, while his background includes growing up in a working class family on a council estate in Glasgow.

There have also been murmurings that former employees are contemplating legal action against the McCanns for loss of income, especially as the 'Maddie Case' is cited as one of the reasons for their dismissal. Mr McCann put this down to "the need to blame someone" for what has happened, saying that

if any legal proceedings were to be instituted, they should be directed at "Madeleine's abductor".

On his return to Praia da Luz and the absence of his wife Kate,

Mr McCann explained: "Kate and I have been desperate to come back to Praia da Luz, but we haven't done

so due to the media exposure and the controversy such a visit would pose. We want to come back and meet the people, without it being highlighted. There is nothing bad about this resort, it is beautiful.

In these difficult economic times we don't want to worsen things. But I do hope people understand why we are doing what we've done. This is a key factor in an investigation strategy. Madeleine is still missing. We need to do everything reasonable to get any information. The best thing for everyone is that she is found and that whoever took her is caught".

Mr McCann ruled out any other visits to Portugal in the near future and as for

Madeleine's mother, said: "She'd love to come back. But

we will not be returning for the anniversary. We wanted to come here and do this as quietly as possible and not to disrupt", with last weekend's media attention not aiding this desire.

"We want to get to the stage where Kate and I coming to Portugal is not a news story", he said.

"Walking down into the Ocean Club felt like we were going backwards, that bit of it at least - I was the story with the media focussing on me.

"The reason we are doing this documentary is that it should be about Madeleine. I can understand why people don't like it or that our level of child care was not to their standard, but the focus should be on an innocent child and that someone has taken her.

"There's one thing that has been revealed in the case files which is that there is no evidence that Madeleine is dead and there is no evidence to suggest that Kate and I were involved in any theories. It's about Madeleine. As her parents, I hope people understand that we have to do what we are doing", argued Mr McCann.

Visibly uncomfortable at the

question, Mr McCann, when asked about the toll Madeleine's disappearance has had on his marriage, responded by saying: "We are united in our search for Madeleine and we are very strong in our relationship".

And how have the twins been coping with their sister's prolonged absence?

"They talk about her everyday. They are great. Literally, saying: 'When Madeleine comes home...'. When we are having bad days [these comments] drive you on".

But Gerry McCann refused to answer a question on whether or not Madeleine's room has been left unchanged in the event she is found.

"If Madeleine came through the door, Sean and Amelie would react like she went missing yesterday. She is still a huge part of their life and it's refreshing".

What have they been told about where Madeleine might be?

"They completely understand she is missing and they understand someone has taken her. There is not a lot more. We had counselling on how to cope with the twins, given to us by a child psychologist who has dealt with child abduction who said we should fill in the gaps as they get older.

But, with us, the psychologist said the problem you have is that there is very little to fill in. The fact remains, she was there one minute and gone the next".

Mr McCann also admitted that their approach to raising their other two children has been significantly altered by Madeleine's disappearance.

"I am undoubtedly much more aware of potential danger or a threat to the kids now and things which we previously considered safe, and probably still are, are no longer.

"It's a horrible balance we as

parents now face between being cosseting and allowing the kids freedom, and at what age. I grew up in a very child-oriented environment, playing in parks, with minimal adult supervision. I think that's healthy", he explains as he leads up to the question about regrets they have over their actions as parents on the evening Madeleine went missing.

"Obviously what we did [leaving the children alone while dining at the nearby restaurant] we thought was safe.

"The whole aspect of a foreign child being abducted while on holiday never entered our thought process for even one moment, because if it had, we wouldn't have done what we did", he said.

An Ocean Club employee has said you were playing tennis on the Monday after your daughter's disappearance while others were looking for your daughter, is that true?

"That is not true. The first time I think I hit a tennis ball was about three weeks later. We stayed in the Ocean Club for two months. What we were told in terms of counselling was that it was really important we get back into doing things for our mental well-being. Jogging was the first thing we did. It was only weeks later that we played tennis and that was primarily because my sister was over and she plays more tennis than I do.

"About six weeks after returning home, I played some golf due to the solitude and privacy it affords me, but I was followed onto the course by a photographer and that was just horrible - the inva-

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"Madeleine is still missing"

"There is no evidence that Madeleine is dead and there is no evidence to suggest that Kate and I were involved"

"She was there one minute and gone the next"



Gerry McCann with the actress playing Kate

sion of privacy. I think Kate has played tennis once in the two years—it has become much harder for us to enjoy the simple things in life".

On returning to the apartment last Saturday and how he felt re-entering it almost two years after last being there, Mr McCann said: "The apartment doesn't hold any bad karma. It was just a couple of thoughts really, it was about re-enacting [the events on the night of her disappearance] and it was where I last saw Madeleine. But actually, I felt more emotional at church this morning [last Sunday] with the support and seeing the photograph of Madeleine with the words 'Help me' along with the green and yellow ribbons around it was more difficult to cope with."

Gerry McCann explained his involvement with the documentary, which will be aired next month and shown in several European countries including Portugal shortly afterwards, was purely aimed at finding Madeleine.

He also recalled that failed attempts to stage a police reconstruction were not of their doing.

"We would have been obliged to come back [due to their status as *arguidos* that was only lifted last July]. It did not fall on us to do it, but other people. Don't get me wrong, we had major concerns as to why the reconstruction was being done. As opposed to this reconstruction, which will be broadcast with a view to getting new information, the police reconstruction was not aimed at

finding Madeleine, but rather to look for inconsistencies. There were 12 or 15 people involved and it is inevitable there would be inconsistencies", he said. A response which led to the question over his disagreement with

"It has become much harder for us to enjoy the simple things in life"



A defaced hoarding in Praia da Luz featuring a photograph of missing Madeleine and the words "Help me!" (Photo: The Portugal News / Paul Luckman)

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Jane Tanner [a member of the so-called Tapas 7] over where he was standing as Miss Tanner walked passed him the night she spotted a man taking what she believed to be a man carrying a child:

"In my mind, I am 100 percent certain I was on the other side of the road, though Jane Tanner and Jez Wilkins said I was on the side closest to the apartment. I can't resolve that, I remember making a conscious decision to cross the road".

Mr McCann also revealed that the family has made peace with the fact they might never see Madeleine again, but would never give up the search for her.

"We have always known that's a possibility and that is why we have to rely on other people. And we have that increasingly difficult balance between doing this [filming the reconstruction] and the human interest aspect. While we also want our lives to be private and normal for the sake of Sean and Amelie, we also need to do as much as we can. It's a possibility we might never see her again, but until we have absolute definitive evidence of what happened to Madeleine, we can't stop searching."

Do you think the Portuguese PJ police did everything within their powers to find Madeleine?

"I think the way you are asking the question is right. PJ did more in this case than on many other occasions and worked extremely hard. And there were many different pressures. If you look back there were probably mistakes made on all sides."

As for the role of private investigators and reconstructions, Mr McCann said it was a way of ensuring no stone is left unturned in the search for his daughter.

"At the minute there is no law enforcement agency actively looking for Madeleine and by that, I mean looking at the evidence saying: where are the gaps and what more can we do? And that's what we need. We have severe limitations and issues of

jurisdiction and we realise we have to work with the authorities. We will hand over all relative information we obtain as we do not want to waste resources nor do we want to duplicate things."

The Find Madeleine Fund, which has received around 2.5 million pounds since it was set up shortly after

Madeleine's disappearance in drying up completely he responded: "It won't dry up in the next few months, but probably by the end of the year, at the rate we are running."

"There's still money in it", says Mr McCann, adding: "I can't give you the exact figure, but we have spent and continue to spend a lot of money with the aim of trying to enhance the chance of finding her."

On the chances of the Fund

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PM looking for a more pro-active Government



Prime Minister José Sócrates inaugurates an extension of the National Immigrant Support Centre (CNAI) in Faro on 3rd April. (Photo: Lusa / Vasco Célio)

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Last week Portuguese Prime Minister José Sócrates announced he wants a civil service that "motivates" the country and highlighted a new 'Citizen's Bureau', that has opened in Faro, as "an example" of the Government's new cost-reducing politics.

"There cannot be economic success if we cannot be at the forefront of modernised administration", he said, underlining that the Government's aim is to have a public administrative service that "motivates" citizens and encourages improvements in their lifestyles.

According to the PM, Portuguese citizens are faced with "hidden" and "heavy" administrative costs, which in his opinion can be reduced by modernising the civil service.

Prime Minister Sócrates made the comments during the inauguration ceremony of Faro's 'Second Generation Citizen's Bureau', which represents an investment of around three million euros and covers an area of 2,100 square metres.

Of the Citizen's Bureau, he said "our investing in these premises is an example of a line of politics that follows modernization and that will never go back-

wards, nor will any government dare to undermine".

José Sócrates paid compliments to Faro Mayor José Apolinário for going ahead with the Bureau in the centre of the City, which, according to the PM, a few years ago would have been "impossible".

"We do not want a civil service that is distant, but that is exactly where the citizens are", he said.

Faro's Citizen's Bureau is located on the first floor of the City's municipal market and comprises services that previously did not exist, as well as a National Centre for Immigrant Support (CNAI).

Amongst others it will offer dedicated sections for notary and registrar services, social security matters, and a multi-service counter, which is one of the most innovative aspects of the new bureau as it is entirely technologically-based.

One mobile sold every five seconds in Portugal

Last year the Portuguese nation purchased 5.9 million mobile phones, which is an average of 11 mobile phones every minute or one sold every five seconds, according to consultancy agency IDC.

Despite the 4.4 per cent rise in mobile phone sales in comparison to 2007, during the last three months of 2008 sales registered a fall of 5.7 per cent, in comparison to October, November and December of 2007.

In that period of 2008, Nokia maintained its lead with a market quota of 43.9 percent, though its sales have since fallen by 0.7 percent.

Samsung followed, dominating 28.6 percent of market sales, with Sony Ericsson taking third place; though

this brand also saw its sales subsequently fall by 2.1 per cent.

LG occupied 4.6 percent of the market, with a 47.1 per cent rise in sales in comparison to the last quarter of 2007.

Motorola however saw its sales drop by 85 percent, taking up 1.6 percent of the market, the same quota as Apple, which has experienced considerable success with its iPhone.

Regarding 'smartphones', Apple represents 10 per cent of that sector.

Used car sales down

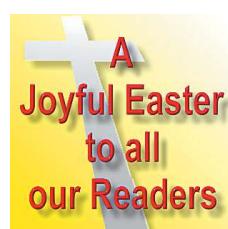
Even though more second hand cars are still sold in Portugal than new cars, used car sale figures have gradually fallen since 2006, according to a report by the National Association for the Business of Vehicle Commerce and Reparation, ANECRA.

Despite a decrease of nearly 20 percent in average used-car sales figures, a number of opportunities for growth within this market were identified, such as the rise in people sourcing second-hand vehicles via websites, a rise in taxes on imported and foreign

vehicles, and improved access to credible market information.

ANECRA's report was presented during the first FleetData Forum for Used Vehicles.

Roberto Saavedra Gaspar, Country Manager for FleetData Portugal, explained that "various factors have unleashed complexities within the used car market; such as too many on offer and a fall in demand, the current set of economic circumstances, alterations in fiscal and tax laws, and programmes that benefit the purchasing of new vehicles".



Driest March in a decade

Last month, average rainfall figures were 20.9 millimetres, significantly below the standard average (61.2) which is calculated on average monthly figures from 1971 to 2000.

On their website, the IM described last month as "extremely dry", with average air temperatures of 19.9 degrees Celsius, the fourth highest average documented for March since records began.

In March 1997, the average temperature was 23.3 degrees, in 1961 it was of 20.2 degrees, and in March 1998 the average temperature on mainland Portugal was established to have been 20.1 degrees.

This year, Alcácer do Sal was the region that experienced the highest temperature in March, registering 29.9 degrees on the 27th of that month.

Throughout last month various parts of Portugal experienced 'heat waves'.

Back in 2006, five heat waves were recorded between May and September and officials said they directly resulted in the deaths of 1,259 people in Portugal.

Health authorities said the majority of the fatalities that year were people aged over 75 in what turned out to be the fifth hottest summer on record in Portugal.

While the five heat waves experienced in 2006 are not uncommon, meteorologists say their frequency is definitely on the rise.

The Met Office classes a heat wave as being when temperatures are five degrees above the aver-

age for a period of six consecutive days.

Heat waves can therefore even be recorded in winter, though they are more prominent in Portugal during the months of June and August.

A number of extraordinary weather patterns were also recorded in 2006, such as the 11-day heat wave in July (Alentejo) that was deemed the longest of its kind since the beginning of World War II.

Recent research also shows that climate change is also leading to an increase in the temperature of the Atlantic Ocean around Portugal's coastline.

University researchers found in a 2007 study that sea temperatures along Portugal's coastline are approaching the mid-20s, a situation which could have potentially catastrophic repercussions on marine life, and that serves as evidence that the climate in south western Europe is changing at a rapid rate.

Data from the UK University of Leicester Earth Observation Science Group reveals that parts of the Atlantic lapping on to Portugal's sheltered shorelines are heating up by 0.07 degrees centigrade every ten years.

The researchers said that the rise in temperature may not appear significant, but it does have enormous implications as regards to climate conditions and indicates that climate change is for real.

In some of Portugal's coastal resorts, sea temperatures are now regularly edging up to 24 degrees.



The weather so far this year has been hot enough for the beach where sunbathers have been seen as early as March.
(Photo: Lusa / Luis Forra)

Global warming bringing UK climate closer to Portugal

patterns and landscapes.

For example, the Dorset Downs in southwest England may experience summer droughts and intense winter storms, causing soil to erode, beech trees to decline, streams to dry up and freshwater

species to die.

Natural England published a report which was made public on March 31st and studied four of England's 159 designated 'character areas', to assess how rising temperatures will affect land-

scapes and wildlife.

Natural England's chief executive, Helen Phillips, said in a statement: "By 2080 the climate may resemble that of present-day Portugal," which is 995 miles (1,600 kilometres) south of England.

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Hundreds of thousands suffering from Hepatitis B



Last week hundreds of specialists gathered in Cascais to discuss new ways of treating liver diseases such as the incurable Hepatitis B, which affects over 100,000 Portuguese and at least five per cent of immigrants to Portugal.

There are at least 100,000 Portuguese and 20,000 immigrants in Portugal suffering from the disease, which is incurable, but can be controlled.

"We estimate that around one percent of the population is a chronic carrier of the disease, which means they always have the virus", said Rui Tato Marinho, President of the Portuguese Association for Liver Studies (APEF).

According to Rui Tato, the problem is bigger within Portugal's immigrant community, which is multi-national, and where the frequency of the disease is greatest.

He explained, "In Portugal there are nearly 400,000 immigrants, from countries all over the world and in some of those countries, like China, Macau and a few African countries, the percentage of people with Hepatitis B is around 10 percent. Indicating that, if you calculate it within the foreign population in Portugal, there is approximately five percent of immigrants with Hepatitis B. That is more than 20,000 immigrants with the disease".

He confirmed that of those, five percent will "reach chronic stages, and remain that way for the rest of their lives".

"Of those who reach the

chronic stage, some may have a very active strain of the virus and will need treatment, because they may develop cirrhosis or liver cancer", Rui Tato continued, stressing that there are new medicines that can control the virus in nearly 100 percent of such cases.

The Hepatitis B virus is 100 times more infectious than HIV and is one of the world's most widespread diseases.

Every year, millions of people die from Hepatitis B related diseases, like cirrhosis or liver cancer, with alcohol consumption significantly worsening the situation.

Sticker movement shaming curb parkers



After it was officially launched last week, the 'Remove Cars from Curbs' movement adorned around 2,500 poorly-parked vehicles with attention-drawing stickers in protest at the lack of consideration on drivers' behavels.

Since its launch the movement's blog-site (www.passeiolivre.blogspot.com) has had some 3,500 visits, a spokesperson said.

The movement's aim is to involve the general public in anonymously 'sticking and shaming' vehicles that are parked inconsiderately, by adorning them with stickers that read 'Don't just think of yourself' and 'respect pedestrians when parking'.

'Parking on walkways or on crossings makes life more difficult for pedestrians, especially for those with disabilities, the elderly, and people with prams or shopping' another sticker reads.

Around 1,500 stickers have been sent out through the post and a further 1,000 distributed via other means. The number of logos downloaded and printed from the movement's blog is not known.

Hundreds of visitors on the blog left messages of congratulations and support, though some also left comments of protest and complaints.

The police, however, have a different view of randomly sticking messages of protest on privately-owned vehicles.

A source from Lisbon's Municipal Police said that a semi-public criminal damage prosecution could be brought, depending on the owners' complaint; however a PSP police representative

said that "simply putting leaflets or stickers on cars is not, in itself, criminal damage".

"For a vehicle owner to make a complaint of criminal damage, the paper or sticker which was placed on the vehicle must have been unequivocally destroyed, buckled, or altered the spot on which it was placed, and there must have been intent to purposely damage the car when placing it there", the PSP source explained.

The movement's organizer said "We are aware people may make complaints about our actions but that would be quite funny, because they would be reversing the role of who is affecting whom".

Portugal promises closer judicial cooperation with Macao



Portuguese Justice Minister Alberto Costa capped a three-day visit to Macao last week, saying Lisbon would set up an office in the Chinese territory to ease bilateral business procedures and promising "greater openness" in the posting of Portuguese judicial personnel.

Minister Costa said the future business office in Macao would facilitate the creation of firms and the sale or purchase of properties in Portugal, amongst other matters.

Lisbon, he added, was also ready to help in the posting of Portuguese judges, magistrates

and other judicial officials in Macao, a Portuguese-administered territory until 1999.

He said Macao would soon send a delegation to Lisbon to study Portugal's ongoing programme to digitalise judicial services.

During his stay in Macao,

Minister Costa held meetings with the territory's chief executive, Edmund Ho, and his local opposite, Florinda Chan, amongst other officials.

He travelled to Macao after a visit to Beijing where he reviewed bilateral cooperation in the justice field. *TPN/Lusa*

EU celebrates 30 years of the Birds Directive

The EU's first nature law, the Birds Directive, celebrated its 30th anniversary on Thursday, 2 April.

The legislation is widely considered in Brussels to be one of the greatest achievements of European environmental policy and is central to the EU's strategy for halting biodiversity loss.

The Birds Directive, the EC said in a statement this week, has played a key role in reversing the decline of some of Europe's most threatened birds, particularly through its network of Special Protection Areas (SPAs).

Today there are nearly 5,000 SPAs, covering more than 10 percent of the EU's land mass. They form an integral part of the Natura 2000 ecological network. The Birds Directive is an excellent example of shared responsibility and cooperation among the 27 EU Member States.

Environment Commissioner Stavros Dimas said: "The Birds Directive is one of the great success stories of EU environmental policy. Europe's wild birds have

greatly benefited from the high standards provided by the directive. There are still important challenges to be met to ensure long-term healthy bird populations. The Birds Directive is as relevant today as it was 30 years ago and has a key role to play in delivering our biodiversity policy for many years to come."

A study published in the journal *Science* has confirmed that the directive has made a significant contribution to halting the decline of some of Europe's most threatened birds.

Despite progress, the EU's rich diversity of over 500 wild bird species still faces serious pressures. According to the latest scientific studies, 43 percent of Europe's bird species are threatened or facing serious declines. This presents a major challenge for the completion of the Natura 2000 network, including the marine component.

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Unemployment amongst immigrants doubles



The number of unemployed immigrants enrolled in jobs centres across Portugal has risen by almost 50 per cent in one year, and during the first two months of 2009 the rise was 27 per cent, according to the Institute for Employment and Professional Training (IEFP).

By the end of February this year there were 30,754 immigrants 'signed on' at job centres, 10,000 more than for the same month of 2008, when there were 20,754 jobless immigrants.

During the first two months of this year the number of immigrants signing up at job centres rose by 27 per cent, an increase of 6,551 per cent in comparison to December 2008.

Figures from IEFP indicate that immigrants represent 6.5 per cent of Portugal's unemployed, which by the end of February totalled 469,299 people, a rise of 17.7 per cent in comparison to the same month of 2008.

According to IEFP, Brazilians are the worst affected by unemployment (8,722 unemployed Brazilians in Portugal), followed by Ukrainians (4,751), Cape Verdeans (3,350) and Angolans (3,142).

Meanwhile, in related news, since the beginning of this year 90 foreigners have asked for official help in returning to their countries of origin, which is, according to the International Migration Organization (OIM), "three times more" than this time last year.

The foreigners asked to benefit from a programme that helps immigrants return to their home-lands.

Mónica Gorracci, head of the OIM, told the Lusa News Agency that 70 to 80 per cent of these were Brazilian.

Brazilians currently make up Portugal's largest foreign community.

She said, "These are people who have lost their jobs because of the economic crisis, and, instead of staying in Portugal to be

exploited, they return to their home countries".

Mónica Gorracci further explained that OIM pays for the immigrant's transport home, and, "in cases of greater vulnerability", even contributes financially to re-integrate the individual.

This programme is co-financed by the European Union and the Portuguese Government.

Last week, The Portugal News revealed that the Minister of Finance, Teixeira dos Santos, had warned Parliament that the biggest problems facing Portugal because of the current economic crisis are "tension" and "serious social problems", brought on by the rise in unemployment.

The Minister explained that despite the Government's best efforts in improving the nation's qualifications Portugal "still has an active population that compares unfavourably with its main counterparts" regarding education.

"It is a worry that this drop in economic activity, with the implications that it will have concerning unemployment, will create very delicate social situations.

We need solutions that demand a very special type of attention, because with unemployment Portugal could witness a worsening of serious social problems", he warned.

The Organisation for Cooperation and Economic Development (OECD) has predicted that unemployment within the Euro zone could reach 10.1 per cent, with Portugal also cautioned that jobless rates could potentially reach double figures in the next 12 months.

The unemployment centre in Gaia where the greatest number of unemployed people in the country have registered. (Photo: Lusa / João Abreu Miranda)



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Three million .eu domain names

Three years after its launch, the .eu top-level Internet domain continues to be a success story, the European Commission said this week.

There are now more than three million Internet domains under Europe's own top-level domain. Even the financial crisis has not stopped this growth: the number of .eu domains increased by two percent during the first quarter of 2009, and .eu was firmly entrenched as the fifth most popu-

lar country code top-level domain worldwide.

By promoting a distinctly European online identity, .eu can help citizens and businesses to reap the full benefits of Europe's single market. Multinational companies and SMEs, NGOs, think tanks as well as citizens have all adopted

.eu to mark their web presence. They are not the only ones.

Early last month, Sweden made a symbolic gesture by being the first Member State to adopt .eu for its official website dedicated to the Presidency of the European Union that will start on 1 July: www.se2009.eu.



More and more European air passengers are being offered the choice to use their normal mobile phone to send text messages, browse the web or even make calls on board airplanes.

One year after the European Commission put in place common rules for the safe use of mobile phones on aircraft and for simple and non-bureaucratic authorisations of this essentially cross border service, 27 European aircraft are now equipped to allow the secure use of standard GSM handsets onboard aircraft while flying in European airspace.

The number of aircraft enabled for in-flight use of mobile phones is expected to double by the end of the year.

"The possibility to use a mobile phone onboard an aircraft is particularly sought after by business travellers and younger passengers. In addition, in-flight GSM offers are an interesting business model for European companies. This is why a year ago, the European Commission created a legal framework for companies who want to offer mobile communications onboard aircraft in a safe and simple way in European skies without having to go through 27 different national authorisation procedures," said Viviane

Reding, the EU's Telecoms Commissioner.

"I welcome the fact that the first airlines in Europe are now offering in-flight mobile phone use. There are two conditions for a further successful take-up of this new service: first of all, in-flight mobile phone use should not disturb other passengers, for example by leaving ample room for quiet zones during air travel, just as in trains. Secondly, attention should be paid by the operators to prices for these services so that they remain at a reasonable level. If these two conditions are met, then offering onboard mobile phone services can be a bonus for European companies in the competitive global air travel market."

In April 2008, the Commission introduced rules to harmonise conditions for mobile phone services on aircraft across the union.

One year later, these enabling rules have allowed two providers of mobile communications services on-board airplanes (MCA), OnAir (Geneva) and AeroMobile (London) to start

business in Europe. They associate themselves with airlines interested in making such services available to their passengers.

Presently, three European airlines – Ryanair (Ireland), TAP (Portugal) and bmi (United Kingdom) – are building up the service in their fleets: 27 aircraft have already been equipped and the number of MCA-enabled aircraft is expected to double by the end of this year. This constitutes a promising start, while technical trials are taking place in other airlines.

Meanwhile, the airlines are fine-tuning the conditions under which passengers can use their phone on-board aircraft to ensure wider consumer acceptance of the new service, and are analysing the service take-up on those aircraft that are already equipped.

Current indications are that the price of on-board phone services so far start from approx. €1.60 per minute for a voice call and approx. €0.43 for a text message, depending on the terrestrial mobile service provider whose subscription the passenger is using.

IRS 2008: Income

by Dennis Swing Greene

Nº 5 RENTAL INCOME

In this series of articles, we examine different forms of income that must be reported on "IRS" tax declarations:

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Some of the tradespeople who have worked for me did not give me a receipt. How do I document expenses?

To be deductible, all expenses must be documented by proper "facturas" (formal receipts stating the name, fiscal number of both of the entity providing the goods or services as well as those of the taxpayer). Value Added Tax ("IVA") paid must also be included.

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EU drives G20 crisis action



Throwing a lifeline to the global economy, the G20 last week agreed to channel \$1.1 trillion (€832bn) into the IMF and other institutions and to tighten rules on financial markets.

The agreement was welcomed by the EU, which has led efforts to crack down on loose banking practices that caused the financial crisis.

Echoing the bloc's proposals, the group of 20 leaders announced measures to promote transparency and to safeguard against system-wide threats and excessive risk-taking. These include new rules on bankers' pay and bonuses - an issue that has sparked public anger - and an end to tax havens that do not share tax information.

The summit in London was step two in the group's efforts to tackle the global financial crisis - the deepest recession since the 1930s. The previous G20 was held in November in Washington.

To help countries in trouble, the leaders endorsed \$500bn (€370bn) in new funds for the IMF, bringing its resources to \$750bn (€56bn). The EU is contributing €75bn of this. In addition, G20 leaders agreed to a \$250bn (€185bn) increase in the IMF's overdraft facility for struggling member countries. A lender of last resort, the IMF asked for the boost after bailing

out more than a dozen countries recently.

A further \$100bn (€74bn) will be available to fund development, and will be channelled via banks set up by donor countries. \$250bn (€185bn) will get trade flows started again.

This is in addition to money being pumped into the world economy by governments and central banks around the world. The leaders said the stimulus should amount to \$5tr (€3.7tr) by next year, the greatest the world has ever seen. Leaders predicted this would create millions of jobs worldwide. The G20 also gave the World Trade Organisation responsibility for naming and shaming those who resort to protectionism. It pledged to conclude rapidly the Doha trade talks - which could boost the world economy by \$150 billion.

In line with EU recommendations, the G20 plan gives international financial institutions a bigger role in monitoring economic risks. It also gives emerging and developing economies more of a voice in these institutions.

EU consults publishing SMEs on new business models

The European Commission has launched its first consultation devoted to Small and Medium Enterprises in the publishing sector: books, newspapers, and magazines.

Publishing in the European Union now provides nearly 700,000 jobs, in around 80,000 companies across today's 27 Member States, most of them SMEs. The consultation will

map out how publishing SMEs are responding to the evolving business environment and the changes brought about by new technologies.

The results, says the EC, will help to better understand the difficulties publishing SMEs face and identify ways action at national and EU level can strengthen the sector during difficult economic times.



Mime artists perform a street play to draw attention to the global recession off Mahatma Gandhi road, in the Southern Indian City of Bangalore on 03 April 2009. G20 leaders of the world's biggest economic powers were gathering in London ahead of a landmark crisis summit to combat the worldwide recession and revamp the global financial system. (Photo: EPA/Jagadeesj NV)

Household appliances get energy squeeze

EU Member States have come out in support of new rules to improve the energy performance of several products at the recent Ecodesign and Energy Labelling Regulatory Committee meeting.

The package sets mandatory energy performance requirements and creates an upgraded energy labelling system for televisions and 'white goods'.

These new measures are expected to cut the EU's electricity consumption by 51 terawatt hours by 2020, which corresponds to the combined annual electricity consumption of Portugal and Latvia.

"This package of ecodesign and energy labelling measures is a crucial contribution to achieve our energy efficiency goals. I am particularly pleased with the new energy label, which is very clear for consumers, accelerates the race for the most efficient products, and boosts market transformation and energy savings", said Energy Commissioner Andris Piebalgs.

Under the ecodesign proposals, televisions and white goods, i.e. large electrical home appliances, will not be allowed to consume more than a certain amount of energy. For products meeting the requirements, a new energy label will inform consumers of the actual performance of the appliance and allow for comparison before purchase.

The proposed measures for the new energy label for televisions and white goods build on the well-known "A-G" energy efficiency classes, which are complemented by new dynamic classes "beyond A".

The new format allows consumers to judge - and manufacturers to show - at a glance how much 'better than A' a product really is. So, for example, 'A-20%' meaning that the product consumes 20% less energy than an 'A' model product.

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EN 125 no longer most dangerous road



What was considered the most dangerous road in 2007 does not even make the list of Portugal's most dangerous roads in 2008 as accidents have reduced dramatically on the road that crosses the entire Algarve.

A total of 365 accidents occurred on the infamous EN 125 in 2007, making it the most dangerous road in the country to drive on, but, one year later, the number reduced drastically to 275 and it does not even get a mention on the list of Portugal's most dangerous roads.

Carlos Lopes, director of road safety agency ANSR, does not know why, or how, the EN 125 was suddenly removed from the black listed roads, but says ANSR's recommendations to renovate the road could have con-

tributed to the falling accident rates.

The most dangerous road in 2008 was the A5 motorway, which connects Lisbon to Cascais, followed by EN 10 (connecting Almada and Setúbal) and the A2 (South Motorway).

However, although these were the roads where most accidents occurred, it was the EN 105, between Santo Tirso and Guimarães, that was considered the most lethal as 13 serious accidents have occurred in less than a kilometre stretch of road.



The EN 125 has seen accidents reduce dramatically, with the road no longer being listed as Portugal's most dangerous road. (Photo: Luis Forra/LUSA)

Divers remove rubbish

Last Saturday a group of divers removed a total 77 kilos of waste from the seabed in just one dive. The rubbish was deposited in an 'Ecopoint', to be recycled later.

"In total 77 kilos of waste was collected from the seabed, a considerable amount taking into account that this time we concentrated on a smaller clearance area and that the dive lasted just one hour", said Gabriel Neves, of Divetek.

The work, carried out for a general 'sea-cleaning' project 'ProjectMar', took place off 'Pareda da Prainha', in Alvor.

In 2008 'ProjectMar' divers managed, through two bigger

clearance projects, to retrieve around two tons of rubbish from the seabed.

Rubbish that was found this year will now be treated by regional recycling company Algar, who provided the 'Ecopoint' for the occasion.

Studies have shown that 68 per cent of the waste that is removed is made of plastic, like carrier bags, amongst other things, while 32 per cent is made up of materials like glass and wood.

The hour-long dive, which covered 100 metres, involved 45 divers from the local Portisub and Subnauta dive schools.

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Algarve hoteliers accuse TAP of 'ignoring' region



Regional hoteliers are accusing Portuguese airline TAP of ignoring the Algarve, which is considered one of the major tourist destinations in the country, by centralizing its new connections to Moscow (Russia) and Warsaw (Poland) from Lisbon.

In a statement to Portuguese press agency Lusa, Eldérico Viegas, head of the regional Hotel and Tourist Association AHETA, said he was "sorry" that TAP had not considered the Algarve's Faro International Airport as a possible departure point for one of its five weekly flights to Moscow or Warsaw, which will commence in June.

"The opening of routes to up-and-coming markets is always good news, but, in this case, it is sinful to ignore the country's biggest tourist region", he said.

He justified his position by saying Moscow and Warsaw's markets are "hugely appealing to the Algarve and Madeira's tourist product".

"They decided to invest in commerce which we know at present is falling, instead of investing in tourism which we know continues to grow", he said.

Reinforcing his point, Eldérico Viegas underlined the fact that this year twice as many Polish tourists are expected to visit the Al-

garve, with the start of four weekly charter flights to Warsaw and Krakow.

He continued, "TAP did not have, nor has it ever had, a defined policy regarding air transport for tourism. Until now it has always been foreign companies contributing to increasing tourists flows into the Algarve".

A TAP spokesperson admitted that the new routes are "A risky investment" and that dispersing them throughout other Portuguese airports "would only incur additional costs".

To avoid failure of the new routes, as was the case with Aeroflot and Krasair, who both tried to implement direct routes to Moscow, it is necessary to "make the most of tourism and business traffic flows between Portugal and Russia, and Russia with Africa and Brazil", he said.

The model being applied to Poland is the same.

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Easter in Algarve 70 percent booked



A positive outlook regarding Easter Holidays in the Algarve has been projected by the head of the Regional Algarve Tourism Entity (ERTA - formerly the RTA Regional Tourism Board), António Pina, who has estimated around 70 percent of the region's facilities will be full during that period.

"As far as I am aware, although without sound figures, from what I am told by hoteliers and businessmen, demand for holidays in the Algarve over Easter is reasonable, at around 70 percent occupancy", he said.

António Pina believes that the 70 percent occupancy rate estimated for Easter 2009 was mainly achieved "by great efforts and dynamics that busi-

nesses have made in adapting to new challenges and current difficulties".

He also said that it was a consequence of the ERTA's efforts in promoting the Algarve via the media.

Hotel occupancy in the Algarve in February this year was the lowest it has been since 1995, a year in which that month also showed record lows.

Tourism board to help beach concessionaries by funding summer 'extension'

The Regional Algarve Tourism Board (ERTA) has pledged to help struggling beach concessionaires who are faced with the shortening of the official beach season due to financial restrictions, by contributing €20,000 with which the concessionaires can extend their services. This money is believed to be going towards carrying out water analysis during the 'extended months', which was initiated at some beaches last week.

António Pina, President of the ERTA, said that the costs of carrying out seawater tests in the months of April, May and October, 'extended months', as the official beach season is from June to September, would "not be the responsibility of businesses or local governments, but of the ERTA". Originally, the official beach season, in which concessionaries operate, generating revenue but also footing costs, was from June 1st to September 30th, though this has now been extended from April

1st to October 31st.

"Expenses that the concessionaires or City Halls used to have with monitoring the water quality are now to be paid by the ERTA", he said. The €20,000 that the ERTA have contributed to this effect is hoped to create financial slack with which more lifeguards can be hired.

Three beaches in Vila do Bispo - Salema, Burgau and Maretá - are adhering to the 'new' beach season, which started last week.

Albufeira beaches will officially 'open for business' on May 15th, and will be prolonged until October 18th.

Portimão's Rocha, Vau and Alvor beaches will start as normal, from June 1st, but will prolong the season until October 31st. In Alcoutim the beach season will run from May 15th until September 15th.

Counties that wish to 'extend' their official beach seasons must submit proposals with guarantees of safety, cleanliness, and carry out water quality tests.



The ERTA has estimated around 70 percent of the region's facilities will be full over Easter.

Water bills can be paid in installments in Albufeira



Last week Albufeira City Hall executives approved a proposal to alter the Municipal Water Supply Regulations so that bills can be paid in installments.

The original legislation, dating from 2002, did not previously allow payments to be

made in this manner. This line of action comes at a time when families' economical and financial

situations are reflecting the signs of the global recession. Bills will be divided in relation to each

family's individual situation. More information can be obtained from Albufeira City Hall.

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New Estoril-Sol ready next year, most apartments already sold



Two years after it was demolished the iconic Estoril-Sol Hotel has been rebuilt in the form of a residential apartment block that is expected to be complete by next year and in which more than 90 per cent of the apartments have already been sold.

Still one year from completion 92 per cent of the 'Estoril Sol Residence's apartments have already been sold, the buyers being divided equally between foreigners and nationals.

A company spokesperson said "the most expensive were sold first, with an average price of three million euros", adding that the 'cheapest' apartments, at an average price of €900,000, were still to be sold.

Even before reconstruction had commenced around 65 per cent of the apartments had been sold, including the most expensive one, which sold for 3.7 million euros.

Work to re-erect the Estoril-Sol started in 2008 and should be completed by the beginning of 2010.

After the original Estoril Sol Hotel was demolished, a phase of controversy and contention shrouded the proposed 'Estoril Sol Residence' project, which was extensively scrutinised following claims it did not comply with local environmental laws, but was eventually passed by Cascais City Hall.

'Estoril Sol Residence' is made up of three glass towers, each comprising 111 residential apartments.

The towers are connected by a bridge that is 60 metres above ground, on the towers' 15th floor, the ground floors of which are destined to be offices and services.

They will be complemented by an underground car park that has a capacity for 511 vehicles.



The Estoril Sol Hotel, in Cascais, Lisbon. (Photo: Inacio Rosa/LUSA)

First moves towards Lisbon's new airport

Portugal's Minister for Public Works has this week confirmed that the first steps in launching the construction of Lisbon's new airport, as well as privatizing national airport management company ANA-Aeroportos de Portugal, would happen during the first six months of this year.

Minster Mário Lino said, "During the first semester of this year the first phase, public tenders, will be launched".

The airport will be built on the south side of Lisbon's Tagus River, in Alcochete, in the 'Campo de Tiro' area.

This first phase will entail the pre-selection of contenders for the job of building the

new airport. A second phase will entail choosing the two best proposals, which will then be put through to a final phase of negotiations, after which a winner will be selected.

No further details were revealed by the Minister, who said more information would be "presented when the time is right".

The privatization of ANA is

expected to happen before concessions and construction of the new airport begins. Whoever buys ANA will subsequently be given the concession of the new airport. The total investment is estimated to be 4.9 billion euros, including construction costs of the airport, which should be ready by 2017.

People without a family doctor double in Lisbon

The number of people living in Lisbon, enrolled in the National Health Service but who do not have a family doctor has doubled between 2004 and 2007, a situation the local government is looking into.

According to Portugal's Health Service there are now more than 100,000 people in Lisbon who do not have a family doctor.

According to documents to which Portuguese press agency Lusa gained access, since new policies to re-structure health centres were introduced, before 2007, the number of patients without a

family doctor in Lisbon grew from 46,481 to 101,208.

These documents also show

that over the past four years there

has been a growth of 6.2 per cent

in people enrolling in the Health

service, and a reduction of 8.2 per

cent in family doctors.

Despite an accentuated drop in Lisbon's resident population fig-

ures over the past 30 years the number of individuals signing onto the health service through health centres has gradually risen,

which could be explained by peo-

ple being allowed to enrol in their

area of employment.

A rise in Health Service users

was registered in all of Lisbon's

health centres, despite having

lowered in four - Lumiar, Marvila,

Penha de França and S. João – as

of 2005.

On the other hand, the number

of general clinic doctors in Lisbon

fell by more than eight per cent

between 2004 and 2007, from 426

practitioners to 391.

The documents alerted the need

for planning a primary health care

network within Lisbon, bearing in

mind the City's "new dynamics

of the population and the predic-

tions of growth".

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Locals says no to new bridge



A petition has been launched by 'Movimento Esperança Portugal' to protest against the construction of Tagus river's third bridge. It has been named 'Against the Third Bridge over Tagus – Stop Mortgaging the future!'

The petition was launched days after the Government announced the public tender for the construction of the structure. "In the current condition of the State finances, increasing external debt and an economic crisis with no foreseeable end", the Government's decision "does not serve

the national interest, it is unwise" said the 'Movimento Esperança Portugal' (MEP).

According to the MEP, "the minimum budget of €1.9 billion, just for the railway component, doesn't include the normal extra costs of public works, nor the cost of access routes on both

sides, which will never be under €500 million."

They claim it is an unnecessary cost, which future generations will have to pay, and that the increase in traffic the bridge will generate, up to 30,000 cars a day, will only make Lisbon even more congested.

All Beginnings Are Hard



Sally cringed when I suggested that we read *The Road Home* by Rose Tremain for our April book club choice. The author won the prestigious Orange Broadband Prize for women's fiction last year for her novel about an Eastern European immigrant's struggle to adapt to his new life in London. "Let's read something that relates to us", she moaned. In the end we decided to read the book.

On the surface, *The Road Home* has little to do with "us."

Most of us, as ex-pats, came to

Portugal with some resources,

maybe with a name or two to look

up, and possible job prospects or

pensions to carry us through. But

for me, at least, the transition was

a struggle, emotionally more

than financially, and therein lies

the tie to Lev, the main character in Tremain's novel. Eighteen

years ago this month I arrived in

Portugal with enough resources

for six months, no job, no lan-

guage and only one friend, the

person I arrived with. My family

and other friends were at home,

and while some wished me well

with my "great adventure" oth-

ers bullied me. "What are your

running away from?" one said.

"You take yourself with you,"

cautioned another. Leo, who

drove us to the airport, flew a US

flag on his car as if to say, "de-

serters". On the overnight

American Airlines flight from LA

to Heathrow, I woke up in the

middle of the night, frightened and

said to myself, "What have I done?"

On the BA flight from Heathrow

to Lisbon was the first time I heard

Portuguese. I turned to my friend

and said, "It sounds like Russian to me!" Deep down I thought, "How

will I ever learn that language?" My

Dad gave me the most consoling

piece of advice: "All beginnings are

hard," he said, over a scratchy

phone line from Cascais to Balti-

more.

Despite my early discomfort and struggles to adjust, my challenges were not nearly as painful as Lev's (and I won't spoil the book by telling you too many details). However, I did have painful days and nights. Loneliness was the biggest obstacle. I remember telling the one friend I came with, "I underestimated how much I would miss my friends back home." Finally, I met other foreigners. In a struggle for inner security, I recall writing five new names on a paper and tacking it on my wall as if to say, "OK, I'm not so alone now." Lev acquires several friends as well, mostly though his newly found work. Getting a job helped to stabilize me too. Teaching connected me to both students and my teaching colleagues and still does today. Then came my column with *The Portugal NEWS*, then *The Portugal Post*, 18 years old this coming August. Some liked it, others didn't. At a BBQ during my first summer here a woman as-sailed me. "Oh, you're the one who

writes that column (in those days called "On the Brighter Side"). "Why do you only say the good things about Portugal? Write something real," she screeched.

In *The Road Home*, the main character struggles with the nagging dilemma: go home to his family, friends and familiar surroundings, or stay in London so that he can send ample amounts of money home, compared to what we might be earning locally. I don't have that dilemma. Still, the pull of "stay or go?" sometimes nags at me, especially now that we have such a charismatic, dynamic President. I wonder if I "should" teach in an inner city school, join Obama's reinvigorated Peace Corps, or work for environmental issues in my hometown. In the end I know I'll stay in Portugal where I've created a life I love. Nevertheless, *The Road Home*, while superficially far removed from our expat experiences, in deeper ways tells many of our stories as well.

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TAP plane makes emergency Luanda landing after 'bird strike'



A Portuguese TAP airline Airbus made an emergency landing at Luanda airport last Thursday minutes after takeoff from the Angolan capital after a bird was sucked into one of its jet engines, TAP said in Lisbon.

Headed to Lisbon, the 250 passengers and crew remained aboard Flight TP 252 on the runway as the plane underwent technical checks, an airline official told the Lusa News Agency.

"The plane had just taken off when a bird entered into a reactor", the TAP official said. "All necessary procedures were immediately activated, one of them being to return and land to determine the damage".

The Airbus landed safely at Luanda's February 4 International Airport about 25 minutes after its departure from the Angolan capital on a flight to Lisbon, the official added.

Technical teams were inspect-

ing the aircraft for possible damage after the so-called 'bird strike', he added.

Airport authorities did not confirm early reports that one of the plane's engines had caught fire.

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The TAP Airbus 'Francisco de Almeida', which was forced to make an emergency landing at Luanda airport after a 'bird strike' last Thursday. (Photo: Lusa / Bruno Fonseca)

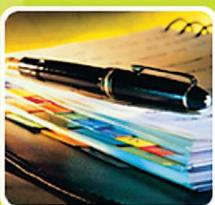


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Ex-police chief pocketed drug money

President Cavaco Silva expressed Portugal’s “deepest sorrow and support” this week to his Italian counterpart, Giorgio Napolitano, over the deadly earthquake in central Italy.

“In this hour of difficulty for the Italian people, I want to present to your Excellency, in the name of the Portuguese people and my own, our sentiments of deepest sorrow and support”, President Cavaco Silva said in a message.

The earthquake killed more than 50 people, primarily in the central town of L’Aquila.

TPN/Lusa

Photo left: A man looks at a collapsed house in Tempore, Aquila region, Italy, on 06 April. At that time, at least 27 people were reported dead - amid fears of that number rising considerably - after a central Italian mountain area around the ancient town of L’Aquila was rocked by a major earthquake that struck in the early hours of 06 April. (Photo: EPA/Ettore Ferrari)

Last week an ex-PJ police coordinator was sentenced to seven years and six months’ imprisonment for four crimes of embezzlement by the Boa Hora court in Lisbon.

Ana Paula Matos was found guilty of laundering 94,000 euros that had been seized in connection with various anti-drug operations.

After reading the sentence Judge Renato Barroso said the accusations had been proved, saying that the defendant had “seriously betrayed the trust that citizens have in the PJ”.

The woman’s lawyer said her client, ex-coordinator of the PJ’s Central Investigation Board for Drug Trafficking (DCITE), would appeal.

According to the accusation, the money that was stolen from PJ coffers in 2006 was used to pay off debts that she had accumulated.

As well as her prison sentence, Ana Paula Matos, who was not present at the hearing, was ordered to re-pay the state €8,340, plus interest, and the legal fees.

Ana Paula Matos, who had been a PJ detective since 1977,

raised suspicions after supervising two operations from which a total of €93,935 disappeared.

Internal affairs investigators had earlier suspected that as many as 21 drug enforcement agents could have been involved in diverting the cash seized from at least two separate operations.

Internal affairs placed advertisements in daily newspapers back in 2007 asking the public to come forward with complaints relating to money seized by investigators from the DCITE drug enforcement agency. It was asked that “any person with a complaint or a grievance against the normal functioning of the DCITE” should come forward.

Internal affairs inspectors gave members of the public ten days to come forward with evidence implicating unscrupulous detectives whose task it is to seize cash and narcotics obtained from operations against international trafficking rings at airports.

In 2006, the DCITE seized €12 million in drug money, along with the equivalent of €1.3 million in foreign currency.

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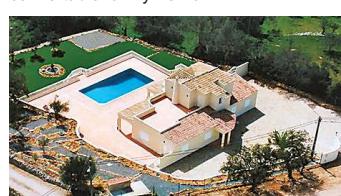
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Australian Pairs Tournament

The second Australian pairs bowling tournament was staged at the Alvor Club this past week in perfect bowling conditions. There was a full entry of 32 pairs competing for the title and excellent cash prizes making. The Monday and Tuesday were round robin group matches, eight groups of four teams each playing three qualifying matches. The Wednesday was a rest day and Thursday saw the eight group winners do battle in the quarter finals, the remaining twenty pairs going into the attractive plate competition.

The plate was played over Thursday and Friday, twenty pairs each playing two games, the four pairs with the best record to progress to the semi finals on the Saturday. After some topsy turvy scoring in the qualifying rounds, the four qualifiers were John and Jean Wilkinson, John Jones and Paul Johnson, Seamus and Paula Montgomery and John

Denn with Tom Sanderson. Seamus and Paula defeated John Denn and Tom Sanderson by 21-17 whilst John Jones and Paul Johnson beat John and Jean Wilkinson by 18-12 in the other.

The main event was an enthralling match eventually won by Mike and Catherine Webb, defeating Brian and Lesley Walker by 19-14. In the third and fourth place playoff, Chris Reynolds and Terry Hughes took five shots on the last end to squeeze home by 17-15 over Alan Clarke and Ian Watson.

The plate final was a good win for Paul Johnson and John Jones over Paula and Seamus Montgomery by 21-9.

The competition goes from strength to strength and entries for next year are already being received. Our grateful thanks to Competition organisers Connie, Paul and Alan and to helpers at the Alvor club for the use of the excellent facilities. *Alan Clarke.*



Competitors in the Australian Pairs Tournament.

The Annual 'Ryder Cup Style' match

The Annual "Ryder Cup Style" match between the Douro & Tagus Golf Societies took place on the 28th & 29th March at the Montebelo course in Viseu.

Due to other social events, the teams were reduced to 12 players each. On the first day the teams played in pairs and they ended with a score of 3 all. The following

day the singles took place and it was nip & tuck all the way to the extend that the final result was in the hands of the last groups and went to the 18th hole where the Douro Golf Society clinched the victory.

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At the same time, another Pairs event was in progress; this time, with only 2 woods per player.

A steady stream of spectators had arrived on the scene as the Ladies Singles took centre stage. Sheila Currall burst into an early lead and soon reached a score of 12 - 6, but Joan Worrall fought back, winning 9 of the next 11 ends and the match by a score of 21 - 14 overall.

The Championship Pairs is always a close fought affair and

this year was no exception with the lead alternating throughout. However, Paul Johnson and Alan Clarke won 3 of the last 4 ends to triumph over Frances and Alan Reynolds by 20 shots to 16 to take the title.

At last it was time for the Mens Singles and the appearance of John Laskey, a regular winner of this event.

This year the challenger was John Denn and what a sterling effort he produced, winning 13 of the 24 ends played, but the reigning champion triumphed yet again, storming through in the final stages to achieve a score of 22 shots to 16.

And so we came to the final event, the Fixed Jack, to be played by 2 men who had already featured in 6 of the earlier games.

Paul Johnson showed that he was up for it, moving into an early lead, but John Jones hit him hard in ends 6 - 9 to set up a comfortable position from which he never looked back, ending the game 108 - 82, just before 6 o'clock. In all, John had sent more than 400 woods down 120 ends, winning 5 titles, on 5 different trincks - What a Bowler!



Helping Malawi

The St. Vincents Church Kids Club meets every week at Barlavento English School in Espiche and has the motto 'everyone is cool'. This means everyone is equal and included in everything. They wanted to share what they have with kids from another school in another country who are less fortunate. The Sayere School in Malawi has 501 pupils, 7 classes but only 4 classrooms so many children sit outside for lessons, thus many do not attend regularly due to illness.

Malaria is a huge problem there, so the Kids Club decided to raise money to buy the children a mosquito net each to protect them from the malaria parasite—if they don't get bitten then they don't get sick.

On Thursday 2nd April, the children at Barlavento came to school wearing something silly for the day and were sponsored by family and friends to do so.

And they made a tremendous effort; a Spanish dancer, a scuba diver, a war hero, back to front pyjamas, a brother and sister dressed in each others' clothes, the list is endless!

One brave young man, Vasco, wore his mum's lingerie over his clothes, saying "I was sponsored to wear it, so I will wear it!"

And the reward for their efforts - they raised over €1800 which means they can buy over 260 mosquito nets and therefore save as many lives!!!

The Kid's Club is planning to hold a sponsored walk/jog/run on Friday May 1st which will be open for everyone to join. This event will take place alongside the beach at Meia Praia in Lagos, starting and ending at the Marina – no hills at all! All you will need is a bottle of water, comfy shoes and a sense of fun! So look out for more details and help them buy nets for all the children.



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Lets walk... from Aguas Bellas

Wednesday April 15th

A challenging walk of 2.5 hours through spectacular scenery, with some climbs but worth all the effort. 10.30am start - meet at the Cafe Terinho, 4km from Silves. Drive over bridge into Silves, turn right & at next roundabout take the 3rd exit. You pass the cemetery and then turn right. At the far end of the road turn right again and follow the road for 5km, the cafe is on the left.

Lets walk... from Pereira

Saturday April 18th

A walk through countryside that still retains traditional charm, fairly easy with no real climbs but great views. 10.30 start - meet at the cafe Gonçalves in Pereira. Leave the A22 at the Odiaxere / Mx Grande exit and follow the signs for the 'Autodromo'. When you arrive at the roundabout by the racing site, take the 3rd exit for Pereira and follow the road for 3km, it will bring you into the village and at the T-junction you will see the cafe.

No need to book please just come along with a sense of humour & wearing comfortable shoes, there is a small charge of £5 for the walk.

Julie Statham 965 753 033 or www.portugalwalks.com

Muddy Cogs Bike Ride

This Saturday's ride 11th April is around the Barragem do Arade & Barragem do Funcho area.

The ride itself begins in the village of Amorosa, just off the main Silves to Sao Bartolomeu do Messines road, the 124. Amorosa is west of the 124 about 5 km south of Messines. We will meet here around 1.15pm ready for a 1.30 start. Please bring plenty of your own drinks and snacks.

The route is hilly with some sharp ascents, but mostly OK and some long flat sections.

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Restaurant Write-ups

Mr Grillo is located in the centre of Porches in a colourful square allowing plenty of parking. Typically Portuguese - cosy and rustic with a wooden ceiling and subdued lighting inside, but if you prefer to eat your meal al fresco there is also a terrace. Your hosts Edwardo and Billington offer international cuisine (flambé is their speciality) all at good value. They also have a bar stocking a fine selection of Portuguese wines, a choice of vegetarian dishes, and a children's menu as well. Their cheerful, attentive staff speak several languages and look forward to taking your reservation.

Island Café is situated at the entrance of Presa de Moura, in Sesmarias, near Carvoeiro and offers American casual dining in the relaxing atmosphere of their new, modern restaurant. The restaurant has an airy 'garden' feel, from the moment you pass the many plants on your way in, to the very large open windows leading onto the terrace. Your host Tony Trinder says his brilliant staff will serve up-market American food which is exceptionally good value. The wine list offers a very good selection and there is a separate children's menu. There are plans for live music twice a week during the winter and reservations are recommended.

Don Toro, a name to remember, has restaurants in both Almancil and Lagos serving a selection of Angus steaks, gourmet burgers, spare ribs (all you can eat for €9.50!), a selection of salads and fish dishes, with vegetarian options. Offering good value, a children's menu and an international wine selec-

tion their young, professional and friendly staff are happy to take your reservation, which is recommended to avoid disappointment. The interiors are elegant, yet modern and both have outside space to enjoy your meal in the sunshine if you wish. Don Toro Almancil is situated on the Almancil to Quarteira road, and Don Toro Lagos can be found just in front of the Cultural Centre. Check out their webpage for specials and promotions at: www.dontoro.com.

Meu Limão is located in front of the Golden Chapel and has a street-side terrace in a pretty square, so you can watch the world go by as you enjoy your meal. However, you may prefer to relax inside in the cosy, romantically lit restaurant. Your host, experienced Chef Rodrigue offers an amazing selection of 40 different, quality tapas, salads, vegetarian and vegan choices with seafood being their main speciality, all at reasonable prices. They have a good selection of quality wines at affordable prices sold by the bottle or glass. Don't miss their Mussel Festival from 1st to 30th April - 15 different ways to experience these delicacies!

The Battering Plaice in Almancil (just next door to the Post Office) is the place to go for English Fish & Chips as we know and love them! As well as offering traditional cod and chips they also have Haddock, Scampi, Doner Kebabs, Pies, Sausages and much more. You can eat in the restaurant or order a takeaway, and there is a delivery service to Almancil, Quinta do Lago and Vale do Lobo areas as well.

For our restaurant guide please see the hotline on pages 32 & 33

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Gooey chocolate puddings

Willie suggests adding dried fruit soaked in alcohol (such as apricots in brandy or raisins in rum) for an adult twist.

Ingredients Makes 6-8

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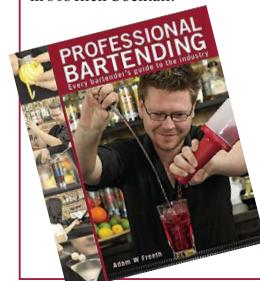
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Tom Cruise inspired legions of wannabes when he spun bottles and fluttered his eyelashes in 80s flick Cocktail.



Now bartender extraordinaire Adam Freeth is attempting to do the same thing with his new book, Professional Bartending (New Holland, £14.99/€19.26).

While it's really designed for those intending to work or already employed in the industry, Freeth's book is packed with useful gems on serving and mixing drinks, plus tricks of the trade like handling glassware. I'm thinking of buying a copy for the slack-jawed youth behind the bar in my local - he could certainly use some of Freeth's tips.

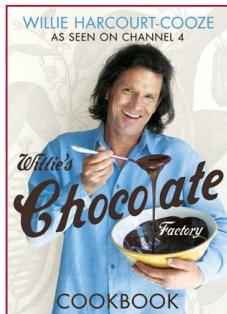
Grease 6-8 ramekins.

Melt the cacao and butter by placing them, along with 60g of the caster sugar, in a large heatproof bowl set over a pan of simmering water.

Meanwhile, lightly beat the eggs with the remaining caster sugar and the vanilla extract in a bowl.

Stir the ground almonds into the melted cacao and butter mixture.

Gradually fold the cacao mixture into the egg mixture. Divide the mixture between the ramekins and bake for 12-15 minutes. The tops will rise and start splitting when they are ready. Serve at once.



Willie's Chocolate Factory Cookbook by Willie Harcourt-Cooze, Hodder & Stoughton, priced £20/€22.

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A new law

SIR, We have just been made aware of the need to register any water supply and septic tanks (with the exception of "watertight septic tanks" - *fossas estanques* and bore-holes already legalised) before May 31st, 2009 under penalty of a minimum fine of €25,000 under Decreto-Lei n.º226/A/2997 of May 31st.

This does not seem to have been widely publicised, but should be of major interest to some of your readers. In our case, it involves legalising over 30 old water mines.

The details of the legalisation process is on the website of Administração da Região Hidrográfica do Algarve (ARH: www.arhalgarve.pt) and it can be quite complicated as it requires the signature of every co-owner of the land where the water supply is located (who is not always the same as the owner of the property).

Having started work on this, I would be happy to give more information if required.

JEAN FERRAN, By e-mail

IKEA and Sr. Viegas' opinion

SIR, Re your article about the opening of a large Ikea outlet in Loulé and the reported remarks made by Elderico Viegas, head of the Algarve Hotels and Tourist Association (AHETA)

This gentleman apparently said "it(the IKEA outlet) will not bring any added value to the region or to its main activity which is tourism".

This is a brain dead comment, as evidently the venture will employ 3,000 people. Those who go to work there will consider it an added

value I'm quite sure, especially as the 'main activity', Algarve tourism, leaves thousands of people out of work throughout the winter.

Perhaps in this age of rising prices, with everyone tightening their belts and wondering what they can do without, AHETA would like to see another hotel complex go up. Every year we read that hotel occupancy and tourism is getting better when we can see with our own eyes that the season is contracting and the crowds we used to see are staying away, evidently finding the sun elsewhere or not at all.

Portugal is an expensive place now. With crude costs way down, GALP (the Government) still manages to hike the pain at the pump as summer approaches. Supermarket prices appear to be made up from week to week and businesses are folding left and right.

Thank God then for IKEA—and if it's not a tourist related activity, of what exact relevance is Sr. Viegas' opinion?

JOSIAH SLACKBLADDER, By e-mail

Dogs and zebra crossings

SIR, Here in Portugal we often see dogs taking themselves out for walks alone. Some of them (not all) have a collar, so obviously belong to someone. Has anyone else noticed, as I have, that dogs are becoming streetwise and using zebra crossings? I've seen this happen too many times for it to be just chance.

The other day I saw a large Alsatian trotting across on a zebra, with all confidence. He paused in the middle to glare at a driver who looked as though he wasn't going to stop,

and seemed to be saying 'Hey matey, don't you know I have priority?'

Once when driving near Lisbon I saw a pigeon waddling across on a zebra. I stopped to give it priority and so did the driver travelling in the opposite direction. It took it's time but we both waited patiently with amusement.

JENNY FERNANDES, Lisboa

Tick fever

SIR, In the pet section of The Portugal News a few weeks ago there was an article warning about the danger of tick fever and steps that should be taken by owners to protect their animals and there was another last week. Introduced into the blood stream by the saliva of infected ticks, it was stressed that the infection can have grave results if the symptoms are not diagnosed early and quickly treated by a qualified vet.

Neither article makes any mention of the serious consequences to people who are unfortunate enough to contract the human form of this disease. Like pets, it is acquired in the same way and early diagnosis and treatment is essential. Pet owners living in rural areas who share their sofas and beds with their pets should be particularly careful about keeping their animals tick free. Hospitals here are familiar with both the symptoms and their treatment but the danger is if the infection first shows itself after returning to a country like UK where tick fever is uncommon.

Personally, I have never understood why pets often attract more care and attention than their owners but the content of a recent e-mail may provide a clue: If, in some bizarre set of circumstances, your wife and your dog were to be accidentally locked in the boot of the car for a few hours, which of the two would be pleased to see you when you released them? Just joking!

RON LAVERY, By e-mail

'Civil Protection' tower angers Carvoeiro residents



Protesters gather against the 'Civil Protection' tower in Carvoeiro.



Foreign and national residents of the 'Areia dos Moinhos' urbanisation in Carvoeiro, Lagoa, held a demonstration earlier this week to protest against the construction of a mast that is believed to measure up to 40 metres in height and will reportedly incorporate a national civil protection system.

On the day of the protest some 30 people gathered at the site where the mast is to be built, including members of the GNR police, a national TV crew and regional reporters.

Residents accused Lagoa City Hall of keeping the communications tower "a deep, dark secret".

"Nobody knows anything about it because Lagoa Câmara

doesn't believe this is the business of property owners and businesses in the vicinity", an email from one of the demonstration's main organisers, Canadian Hal Jones, read.

A source from Lagoa City Hall said the mast would amalgamate a national grid for civil protection, which will improve communication between military and security services, like police and fire-brigades, as well as reinforcing response capabilities in the event of a catastrophe or emergency.

The masts are of the National Association for Civil Protection's (ANPC) authority, and, reportedly, City Halls are "obliged" to concede land for masts to be erected.

It is not clear whether these masts entail risks to human health, in the same way high voltage pylons do.

Concerns were raised when a plot of rural land adjacent to Hal

Jones's villa was cleared. Upon asking the reason for "digging up all of the trees", Hal was informed the plot was a "beautification project".

It later emerged that a communications tower would be erected on the plot. Excavations for the mast's implementation have already begun though confirmation of its construction and definite purpose has been vague.

After speaking to two people at Lagoa City Hall, Hal says he has still not received any "solid information" from municipal executives.

Hal has owned a villa in Carvoeiro for more than 20 years and divides his time between Portugal and Canada. He believes the construction of the tower in Areia dos Moinhos would be a "horrible disfigurement" to the neighbourhood as well as to the village, which is one of the Algarve's most popular tourist retreats.

Portuguese for Beginners

Emilia Rosendo

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THIS LESSON:
The verb structure "estar + a" in the Past.

Read the sentences below:

⇒ **Eles estavam a jantar.**

(They were having dinner.)

⇒ **Ele estava a dormir?**

(Was he sleeping?)

⇒ **Ela não estava a trabalhar.**

(She was not working.)

◆ The verb structure "*estar + a + verb in the infinitive*" is used to describe a continuous action. In the sentences above "*estar*" - the auxiliary verb - is in the "*Pretérito Imperfeito do Indicativo*" (Past Tense), indicating a continuous action in the past.

◆ The expressions "*Nesse/naquele momento*" (At that moment) and "*Nessa/naquela altura*" (At that time) may be used for emphasis.

◆ Uses of *estar* in *Pretérito Imperfeito do Indicativo + a + verb* in the Infinitive:

✓ For an action happening in the past: "*Eu estava a ler quando eles chegaram a casa.*" (I was reading when they arrived home.)

✓ For a frequently repeated action in the past, usually with "*sempre*" (always), which appeared to be continuous: "*Ele estava sempre a cantar.*" (He was always singing. = He used to sing the whole time)

◊ Ask and answer. Use "*estar+a*" in the "*Pretérito Imperfeito*" + the verb in brackets.

1. O que é que eles _____ (fazer)?
Eles _____ (pintar) a parede da sala.
2. O que é que ela _____ (comer)?
Ela _____ (comer) uma fatia de bolo.
3. O que é que tu _____ (beber)?
Eu _____ (beber) água com gás.
4. O que é que vocês _____ (fazer)?
Nós _____ (cortar) as unhas dos pés.
5. O que é que ele _____ (fazer)?
Ele _____ (tomar) um duche.
6. O que é que tu _____ (ler)?
Eu _____ (ler) o jornal.

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The main door opens into the entrance hall where, to the right, is the staircase that leads to the master bedroom, followed by the first guest bedroom. This bedroom is of a good size and is fitted with large built-in wardrobes. It has twin beds and windows looking onto the garden. At the end of the entrance hall is the guest bathroom, which has a shower, a toilet and a wash basin. Traditional Portuguese tiles cover the walls.

Opposite the first bedroom, on the left side of the hall, is the second bedroom. This room is slightly smaller than the first but has a built-in wardrobe with space to spare.

Straight ahead and through an

archway is the living room. Facing south, this room soaks up the sun all day long and sliding glass doors provide a lovely view to the outside terrace and pool area. It is very large and has a wood burning stove, perfect for getting cosy on those chilly winter nights.

The dining room is located after the living room, with plenty of space to dine for six and the same view as the living room. Connecting to both the living room and dining room, the kitchen is fully fitted with all the necessary appliances and a door also leads to the back of the house.

The master bedroom, upstairs, is enormous and has its own private terrace overlooking the valley. It is en suite.

The pool was cleverly built on the south side, which allows it to bask in the sun all day long, whilst the house protects it from any cold northerly winds. A thatched roof over the BBQ area provides shade, and the 'ladrilha' tiles complement the outdoors perfectly.

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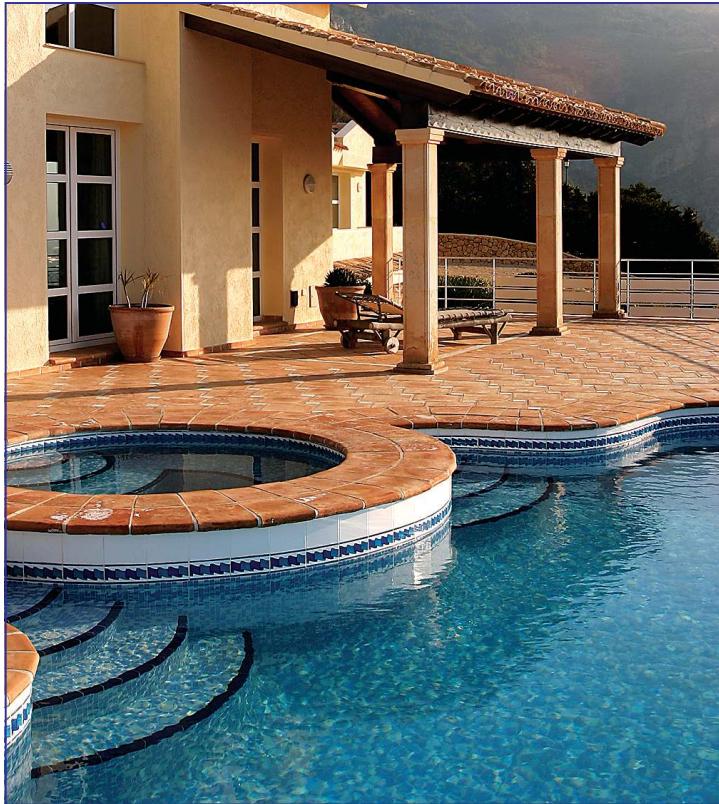
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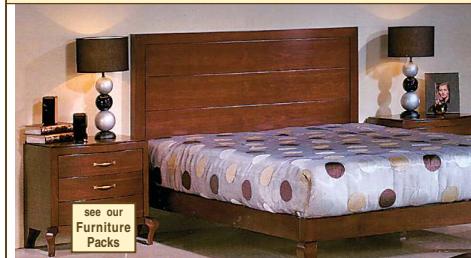
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Perfect Pastels

Soft, colourful shades are easy to live with, and a great way to get rooms ready for spring. Pick up on the power of pastels with our guide to pretty pinks, beautiful blues and gorgeous greens.



A good use of pastels in the bedroom (Photo: P A Features)

Chill winds may make it difficult to believe, but spring has officially sprung. If you need further convincing, just look around at the new crop of soft pastel colours blooming in homeware.

These gentle shades mimic the colours of new growth and plants blossoming in the garden as well as uplifting, sunny skies. So think of a palette of blushing pinks, soft blues - duck egg and teal are particularly popular this year - as well as delicate mossy greens and primrose yellows.

Pastels seem to have a perennial appeal, possibly because they're uber-easy on the eye. There's something cosy and comforting about them, reminiscent of childhood rooms.

They've now graduated from the nursery and grown up into ideal colours for conjuring a number of looks, from the faded but glorious grandeur of vintage to a fresh coastal style or cosy country.

Fionnuala Johnston, design manager at B&Q, suggests using a patchwork of fresh blues, whites and pinks to recreate the country living look this spring.

"A gentle pastel colour palette can be brought to life with a shock of pink to produce a homely, comfortable and inspiring look," she says.

Pastels work particularly well when used in floral and gingham prints, perhaps intertwined with lace, ribbon and embroidery for a folksy look.

Alternatively, be imaginative and revamp a piece of furniture by painting it a pastel shade, or choose wallpaper or bed linen in a pastel pattern. Even a discreet nod to pastels will make your rooms feel ready for spring.

Pretty Pinks

Karen Stylianides, deputy editor of House Beautiful magazine, says pink is the most versatile pastel.

"Soft pink is an obvious choice for the bedroom but is also worth considering for a small room, like a study, as it creates a warm and optimistic feel," she says.

"When planning your scheme, try to avoid using more than two pastel colours in the same space, unless you want a very girly look."

Stylianides says pastels are a fresh and cheerful way to lighten up a space, making it look larger and creating a calming effect.

She suggests yellow for hallways and kitchens, and a combination of pale yellow and blue for a timelessly stylish living room.

Beautiful Blues

Capture the feeling of blue skies and seaside settings with pale blues, or opt for the fashionable duck egg shade for a bang-on-trend look. Team a duck egg blue floral with pinks or maybe lavender, suggests Jo Cassabois, window dressings expert and owner of Preta Vivre in London.

"As pastel tones are so pale, they're not so suitable used individually for major interior decorations like a window dressing. Singly, the effect can be too washed out," she says.

"Mixing a couple of pastel colours turns them into a strong combination."

Gorgeous Greens

Soft greens are the perfect shades to warm and complement neutrals. They're totally in vogue because they reflect our desire to bring the outdoors in, with leaf-inspired patterns and foliage hues.

Obama's Emission Cuts: Pragmatic Suicide

"We want to be in (the new UN climate pact), we want to be pragmatic, we want to look at the science," said Jonathan Pershing, the head of the US delegation, during the talks on cutting greenhouse gas emissions in Bonn last week. So how will the Obama administration reconcile political "pragmatism" with the scientific realities? "There is a small window where they overlap. We hope to find it," Pershing explained. But it doesn't really exist.

Signing the United States up to the new climate treaty that will replace the Kyoto accord in 2012 is essential. The 1997 Kyoto treaty was gutted to accommodate American objections, but even so President Clinton, who signed it, never dared to submit it to Congress. Then President Bush "unsigned" it.

A dozen wasted years later, the climate problem has grown hugely, so this time everybody else is determined that the US must be aboard — and Barack Obama also wants the United States to be part of the treaty. But we recently learned what he thinks is "pragmatic". It is that the United States should cut its emissions back to the 1990 level by 2020.

"Pragmatism" is the excuse you use when you do less than you should, because doing more is too hard. Taking a dozen years just to get back US emissions back down to where they were in 1990 definitely qualifies as "pragmatic," but it also qualifies as suicidal folly.

The Hadley Climate Centre in England, one of the world's most respected sources of climate predictions, recently released a study showing that even rapid cuts in global greenhouse gas emissions, turning the current one percent annual growth into a three percent annual decline within a few years, would still warm the world by 1.7 degrees Celsius by 2050.

That is dangerously near the two degrees C rise in average global temperature which is the point of no return.

Further warming would trigger natural processes that release vast quantities of greenhouse gases into the atmos-

sphere from melting permafrost and warming oceans. These processes, once begun, are unstoppable, and could make the planet four, five or six degrees hotter than the present by the end of the century.

At those temperatures, much of the planet turns to desert, and the remaining farmland, mostly in the high latitudes, can support at best ten or twenty percent of the world's current population.

That is why the official policy of the European Union is never to exceed two degrees of warming.

The Obama administration's offer falls far short of that goal. Under the Kyoto accord the US promised a 7 percent cut on 1990 emissions by 2012, but President Bush abandoned that target and American emissions are now 16 percent above the 1990 level.

President Obama is only promising to get back down to the 1990 level over the next eleven years, and forget about the further cuts that the US signed up to a dozen years ago.

Obama is clearly calculating how much he can get through Congress.

As Pershing said in Bonn, "If we set a target that is unmetable technically, or we can't pass it politically, then we're in the same position we are in now — where the world looks to us and we are out of the regime."

But this isn't an ordinary bill where you settle for what you can get through Congress after the usual horse-trading. If there's going to be a forty-day flood, you either build an ark or you learn to breathe underwater. Building half an ark is not a useful option.

Obama's offer means that the United States would be cutting its emissions not by three percent annually, the minimum global target if we hope to avoid more than two degrees of warming, but by only half that amount. In the long term, it leads inexorably to disaster.

The other two major delinquents among the industrialised countries are following similar tactics.

Australia, which had long been in denial about climate change, ratified the Kyoto accord after the 2007 election, but the new government is offering emission cuts of only between five and fifteen percent by 2020. That is a target that makes even Obama's offer look good.

Canada, which ratified the Kyoto accord long ago and promised a six percent cut in



Todd Stern, special envoy for climate change of the US government, pictured prior to the negotiations for the climate conference in Bonn, Germany, 29 March 2009. Some 2000 delegates from all over the globe started negotiations on a new global climate treaty on Sunday. The negotiations under the roof of the United Nations are to be completed during the climate conference in Copenhagen in December. (EPA/OLIVER BERG)

emissions by 2012, simply ignored its obligations and is now 20 percent above its 1990 level of emissions.

It has no intention of trying to make up the lost ground, and has unilaterally moved its benchmark from 1990 to 2006.

Most other industrialised

countries are on track to meet or exceed their modest Kyoto targets.

Britain and Germany will both be 20 percent below their 1990 emissions level by 2012, and Germany is promising 40 percent cuts by 2020.

The European Union as a

whole promises a 20 percent cut by 2020, but will go up to 30 percent if other industrial countries do the same.

Even that would barely meet the annual three percent cut in emissions we need if we are not to sail through the two-degree point of no return and trigger

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And we have yet to figure out how to bring the rapidly developing countries into the regime, for their emissions, though starting from a low base, are growing very fast.

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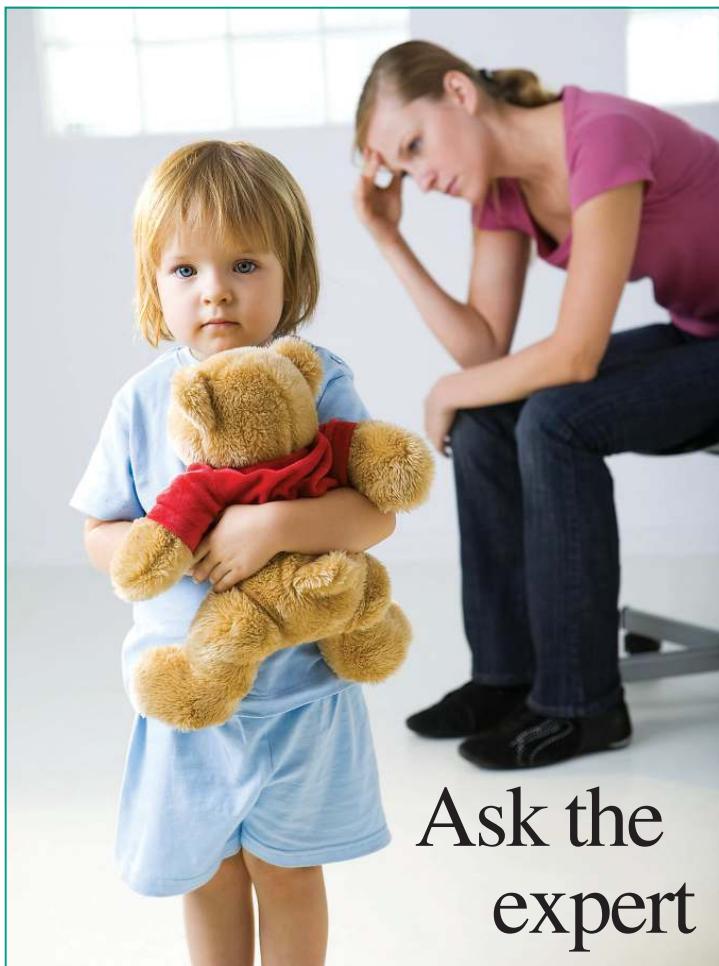
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"But perhaps the main explanation is that we focus more of our attentions only on the good things children bring - the joy of seeing them smile for the first time, or the day they get married - most of which are rare but also considered to be the most salient features of raising children.

"In reality, most parents spend a large chunk of their days attending to the core processes of child care - looking after them, feeding them, etc - which are more frequent, but a lot less salient experiences. It's these negative, but more frequent experiences, that are likely to impact our day-to-day happiness.

"In short, what this research is telling us is perhaps something we know deep down to be true: raising children is probably the dullest and hardest thing to do. And perhaps why we should start appreciating our parents a lot more - just for the things we put them through when we were young."



Retired boxing champion Joe Calzaghe has launched an advertising campaign for new website, cybermentors.org.uk, which helps the victims of bullying, saying: "If it can happen to me it can happen to anybody."

The Welshman, who retired unbeaten last month, said he was deeply affected by the bullying he suffered between the ages of 13 and 14. He said other children would gang up on him and call him names - even though he was a British amateur champion at the time.

The former world super-middleweight champion was speaking out as the charity, Beatbullying, launched an advertising campaign for its new website cybermentors.org.uk, a social-networking site which is staffed by more than 700 youngsters who offer advice to their peers about bullying.



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The natural look was seen at countless key S/S09 shows - including Prada, D&G and Vivienne Westwood - making nudes a must-do trend yet again.

Take inspiration from Hollywood stars Cameron Diaz and Jennifer Aniston, who rarely veer away from the 'no make-up' beauty ethos, whether they're walking the dog or the red carpet.

But appearances are deceptive, and although these natural beauties may look virtually cosmetic-free, a long stint in the make-up artist's chair has probably preceded that elusive fresh-faced glow.

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Cameron Diaz arrives for the 80th Academy Awards (Oscars) at the Kodak Theatre, Los Angeles.

"Nude make-up is definitely having a beauty moment right now, and is not that difficult to achieve once you know how," says celebrity make-up artist Karen Alder (www.karenaldercosmetics.com).

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A model prepares backstage before the show by designer Vivienne Westwood, at Brompton Hall, Earls Court

Base

A face that looks flawless but make-up free is the secret to pulling off this season's tricky nude look. Ironically, it takes a whole lot of groundwork and cosmetics.

"Start by applying concealer with a small brush to blemishes and dark circles. Blend well and keep the amount of product down to a minimum," Karen advises.

"I love mineral powders, and always buy two shades, one in a lighter shade for down the centre and a slightly darker shade for contouring and bringing out the cheekbones.

"If you're used to a heavier base, try a fake tan for the face that's non-clogging to give you a great base colour."

Eyes

Don't go to the eye extreme of looking like you've just stepped out from the duvet with sleepy peepers.

For all-natural beauty you want to achieve an illusion of big, open eyes - without the look of thick liner and lashings of mascara.

"Make sure the brows are groomed perfectly as they frame your face," Karen says. Book in at a brow bar like Benefit to be shown how to define and groom your brows perfectly.

"This is key to the no make-up look; all of a sudden your eyes look more lifted and fresh. Getting your lashes tinted also helps to frame your eyes."

Lips

Lips don't have to be completely bare to look like they are. It's essential you keep your pout in tip-top condition to get away with super-sheer lipsticks and glosses for a super-natural tint.

"Use a buffing salve for the lips as a night-time treatment and slick on a balm such as Rodial's Glam Balm in the day to plump your lips without looking too glossy," Karen suggests.

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Former British soldier William Foxton couldn't bear it when he discovered his life savings had been wiped out. Last month the 65-year-old father of two, who had invested up to £1 million with the corrupt Wall Street fund manager Bernard Madoff, shot himself.

Experts foresee a looming mental health disaster for Britain as savings are wiped out, property prices plummet and jobs vanish.

Calls to Anxiety UK's helpline have doubled since the beginning of the year and the Government is frantically speeding up investment into psychological therapies.

Depression accounts for more than 2,615 deaths and the loss of 100 million work days each year.

Psychotherapist Richard O'Connor author of Happiness: The Thinking Person's Guide (published by Vermilion, priced £8.99/€9.91) points out that as society has become more prosperous, rates of anxiety, depression and stress-related disorders have accelerated in the US and Europe.

"Our biggest mistake in life is believing that 'getting what we want' will make us happy," he says. In the US, sociologists have been asking people the exact same question, the exact same way, for the last five decades. 'On a scale of one to five, how happy would you say you are?' And every single year, fewer people say they are happy."

By 2020, the World Health Organisation predicts that depression will be the second leading cause of death.

The pursuit of wealth is often seen as a root cause of this unhappiness. Not only do we feel obliged to earn more, but escalating levels of wealth cause everyone to feel inadequate.

A recent report by the Mental Health Foundation found that inequalities between the rich and the poor lead to perpetually high levels of stress, depression, high

blood pressure and other medical problems.

But according to O'Connor, all this is perfectly understandable. "Humans are not designed to be happy and satisfied," he says. Evolution keeps us wanting more. Your caveman brain wants you to believe that you'll be happy when you get rich, beat your buddies, rise to the top, and have the biggest house.

"The real secret of happiness is learning to be more systematically observant of what really does make you feel good."

O'Connor says the brain is constantly forming new cells, which means we can all make changes to the way we think. He believes in meditation rather than medication and says feeling happy is a skill.

"The more you practise being happy, the easier you make it for yourself to be happy in the future. Likewise, the more you practise being depressed, the easier you make it for yourself to be depressed."

Don't worry - be happy

Richard O'Connor has the following tips for boosting your mental health:

"Happiness is a skill, it's not an innate gift. It requires that we pay close attention to our experience and see objectively what makes us happy. Our minds and our culture tell us a lot of lies about what might make us happy, like getting rich, beating out the competition, acquiring a lot of things. We have to get past those assumptions and systematically learn what makes us happy."

"Practice meditation at least four days a week for half an hour. Sit, clear your head and focus on

your breath. Listen to your thoughts and detach yourself from them. As you practice this, you'll learn how you think and be less prone to being overcome with anxiety."

"Practice mindful thinking and observation. Because we're under so much stress, we often stop noticing and enjoying the rich details of life. View yourself and the world with compassionate curiosity. Foster a desire to understand the world and a belief in your own worth."

"Learn to notice when misery is unnecessary. Some misery is inevitable, but some we bring on ourselves. Practice detaching yourself from stressful experiences. Conversely, we can also choose to draw greater satisfaction and meaning from our lives. Exercise aerobically for half

an hour, three to four times a week. There's an enormous body of research out there to prove a very simple point: the more you exercise, the better you feel."

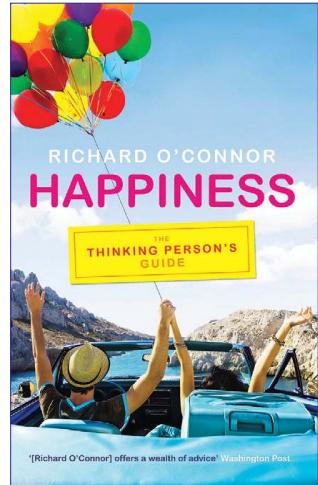
"Don't be duped into believing that you'll be happy when you get what you want. Inevitably, when you get what you want, you'll quickly get used to it and start wanting something else. And while you've been waiting, you've missed out on a lot of opportunities for joy."

"At bedtime, let yourself go to sleep thinking about three things for which you are grateful - things that made you happy, or simply the best memories of the day. As you do this, pay attention to the feelings in your body: the smiling reflex, a warmth in your heart, the flow of tension out of your neck and shoulders."

Whenever you feel good, let your body express it.

"Work on wanting what you have. Look around you and try to appreciate your possessions and possibilities - your furniture, books, and possessions. There's beauty and memories there. Savour them."

"Our bodies and minds were not designed for contemporary living conditions - especially not sitting in an office for eight hours a day. Don't assume there's something wrong with you if you're not happy. Be kind to yourself. Sarah O'Meara



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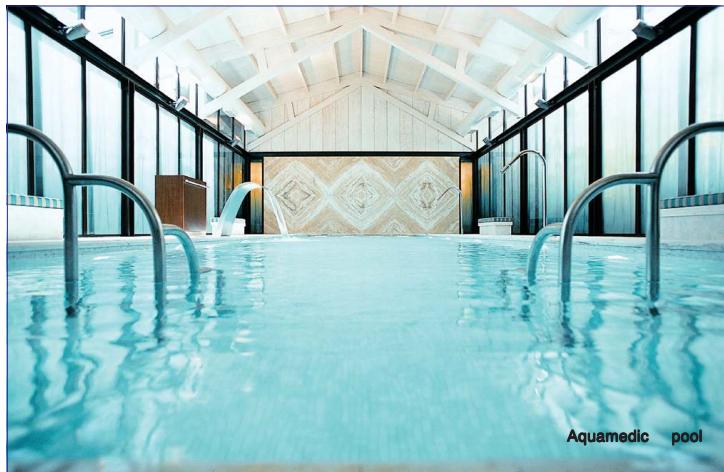
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Easter Warning - Chocolate and our pets



We know that eating chocolate can affect our waistlines but there is a more serious problem that can occur if dogs eat chocolate. Chocolate contains an ingredient Theobromine and it is this that can be toxic to dogs if taken in too high a dose. It is also very dangerous to cats.

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But what is too high a dose? Theobromine is toxic to a dog when it ingests between 100 and 150 milligrams per kilogram of body weight. The lethal dosage of theobromine in dogs is between 250 and 500 milligrams per kilogram of body weight. The degree of toxicity depends on the weight of the animal and the amount and type of chocolate consumed. Baking chocolate, for instance, contains more theobromine than regular chocolate, making them more toxic to animals. Milk chocolate has about 1.8 mg/gam

mine; a 150gram milk chocolate bar has about 270 mgs. of theobromine. Unsweetened baking chocolate has even more—about 16 to 18 mgs of theobromine per gram.

So what does all that equate to? Maths heads on! The toxic levels are between 100 and 150 milligrams of theobromine per kilogram of body weight, which equates to 2000-3000mg for an average 20kg dog. If an average 150g bar contains 270mg theobromine, in order to reach the toxic levels an average 20kg dog would

have to consume seven 150g of milk chocolate in one go!

Cocoa and chocolate products may be toxic or lethal to dogs and other domestic animals such as horses because these animals metabolise theobromine more slowly than humans. The heart, central nervous system, and kidneys are affected. Early signs of theobromine poisoning in dogs include nausea and vomiting, restlessness, diarrhoea, muscle tremors, and increased urination or incontinence. The treatment at this stage is to induce vomiting. If you think that your dog has ingested a high level of chocolate and is showing signs of poisoning then contact your vet.

This does not mean that your dog has to miss out on chocolate treats. Just make sure that the chocolate is specially formulated

This chocolate still contains the cocoa, and therefore the theobromine, but the amount has been much reduced and replaced with high quality flavourings.

So make sure when you purchase your dogs Easter present that the product states that it is specially formulated for dogs and do not feed more than is stated on the packet. And make sure that you keep your chocolate to yourself—I know that it doesn't help your waistline but it will protect your dog! There are plenty of fantastic treats available that your pets will love.

Also available—and much better for your doggies—are Rawhide Easter Eggs.

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Portuguese Animal Rights Association



Abandonment of animals is an ethical, humanitarian and environmental issue and, unfortunately, has not weighed in the way of thinking of many people in Portugal.

We received a copy of an open letter from the 'Liga Portuguesa dos Direitos do Animal' addressed to zoophilic associations pointing out the urgent need to pressure the government to elaborate and implement an effective and efficient, modern and comprehensive law for the protection of all animals.

Without a harsher and up-to-date law, we will continue to see the systematic abandonment of dogs and cats, and other animals, and listen to the many reports of cruelty against animals, whilst shelters continue to be overcrowded deposits for ani-

imals, most of them condemned to live a life of imprisonment in narrow spaces, before the indifference of the government and politicians, with some honourable exceptions.

The association continues to propose having a federation representing all the zoophilic associations whose objectives, among many, would be to heavily punish acts of cruelty against animals.

The animals don't care what you think or feel. But they do care about what you do.

The earth doesn't only belong to man, but to all living creatures that inhabit the earth.

MUPI is a cross German shepherd around 1.5 years old. She has been in the shelter since a little puppy so she has no traumatic past but also no luck - all her sisters were adopted and she stayed behind. She is bit shy and very gentle with people and other animals. Very obedient and good on the leash. If you would like to rehome her, please contact Bianca Association in Sesimbra (near Lisbon): www.bianca.pt/english sesimbra.bianca@gmail.com



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BEAUTIFUL labrador female and her pups were left at our gate in the pouring rain a few weeks ago. All healthy, deparasited and vaccinated. Mum is about 2 years old and pups 1 homed (remaining 2 female) about 12 weeks old. Tels. 282 471347 or 91 4767958



MISSING
Missing dog since 22nd March in Almancil. He was wearing a black collar with bone designs on it. If you found him, or know his whereabouts, please contact us on: T. 912 343 344



MISSING / STOLEN - Two Araras (ARA ARARAUNA) went missing or were stolen on 21st March from a winter garden, very safe, in the region of ALBUFEIRA - BRANQUEIRA. Both parrots have a permanent identification ring on their legs 14mm with the Numbers GKEA028 and GKEA709. The birds are 5 and 6 years old respectively. Information can be sent to: Rita Belo Tel: / Fax: 289 502 650. A REWARD will be given of €1,000



MISSING
Our female black cat with white paws and chin is missing in Vale de Loures / Alcantarilha !! She has a chip and listens to the name MUIS (mouse). Missing since March 30th. A REWARD will be given. Please call us if you have seen her or know where she is: 969802792 / 282315291 / Patricia & Cor / Casa da Vida Nova



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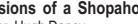
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All she ever wanted was a little credit...

Based on the best-selling series of books by Sophie Kinsella. Rebecca Bloomwood (Isla Fisher) is a sweet and charming New York City girl who has a tiny, little problem that is rapidly turning into a big problem: she's hopelessly addicted to shopping and drowning in a sea of debt. While Rebecca has dreams of working for a top fashion magazine, she lands a job as an advice columnist for a new financial magazine. But when her compulsive shopping and growing debt issues threaten to destroy her love life and derail her career, she struggles to keep it all from spiralling out of control... and is ultimately forced to re-evaluate what's really important in life.

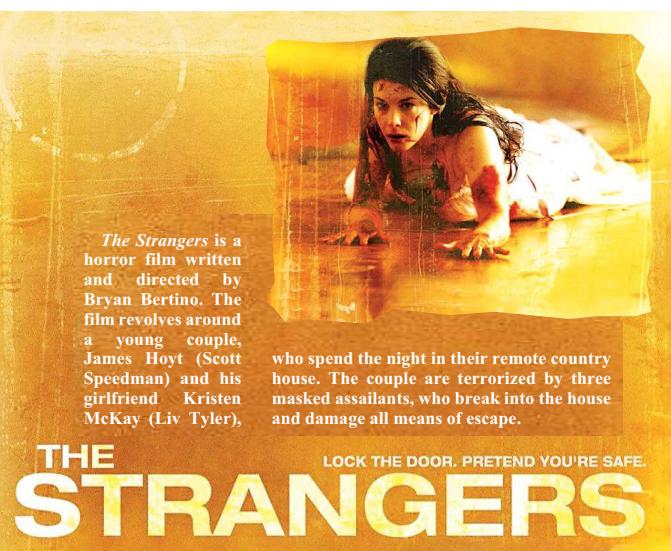


SAMUEL L. JACKSON

BERNIE MAC



Two former backup soul singers, Louis (Samuel L. Jackson) and Floyd (Bernie Mac) who have not spoken to each other in 20 years reluctantly agree to travel across the country together to a reunion concert to honor their recently deceased lead singer (John Legend). Cleo (Sharon Leal), a beautiful young woman in an abusive relationship, who is believed to be Floyd's daughter, accompanies them as a new singer. A few problems come their way, leading up to their big performance at the Apollo Theater, as the two Soul Men attempt to reform a bond that they lost 20 years ago.



The Strangers is a horror film written and directed by Bryan Bertino. The film revolves around a young couple, James Hoyt (Scott Speedman) and his girlfriend Kristen McKay (Liv Tyler),

who spend the night in their remote country house. The couple are terrorized by three masked assailants, who break into the house and damage all means of escape.

LOCK THE DOOR. PRETEND YOU'RE SAFE.
THE STRANGERS



Film Classification

Inkheart - M/12
Soul Men - M/12
Confessions of a Shopaholic - M/12
Appaloosa - M/12
The Strangers - M/16
Monsters vs Aliens - M/4

He's Just Not That Into You - M/12
Street Fighter: The Legend of Chun-Li - M/12
Última Parada / Che: Part Two - M/16
Eden Lake - M/18
Duplicity - M/12

Underworld: Rise of the Lycans - M/16
Killshot - M/16
My Best Friend's Girl - M/12
Butterfly on a Wheel - M/12
The Unborn - M/16
Marley & Me - M/6
Che: Part One - M/12

M/4 - Suitable for audiences aged four years and over
M/6 - Suitable for audiences aged six years and over
M/12 - Suitable for audiences aged 12 years and over
M/16 - Suitable for audiences aged 16 years and over
M/18 - Suitable for audiences aged 18 years and over



HIGHLIGHTS



LISBON - 18 April - Concert 'Kronos' by Cristina Branco
- CCB-Centro Cultural de Belém at 21h00 - A performance - not to be missed - by someone who is undoubtedly one of the greatest Portuguese musical figures all over the world - (Ages: 12 years and over) - Main Auditorium - Tickets: From €5 to €20 - Cristina Branco features her most recent work, *Kronos*, where time is the line which unifies the diverse themes. *Kronos* is composed by unreleased songs written by ten renowned creators, unified by a common factor: all of them have made a long path within portuguese music, contributing for the establishment of a top-class portuguese songbook: José Mário Branco, Sérgio Godinho, Amélia Muge, Rui Veloso, Vitorino, Janita Salomé, Vitorino d'Almeida, Mário Lagoinha, Carlos Bica, João Paulo Esteves da Silva and Ricardo J. Dias. *Kronos*' lyrics are signed by some of its composers and by song writers and poets such has Hélia Correia, Vasco Graga Moura, Manuel Alegre, Carlos Té, Júlio Pomar and Miguel Farfas. Cristina Branco vocals; Ricardo Dias piano and musical direction; Bernardo Couto portuguese guitar; Alexandre Silva viola; Fernando Maia double bass - CCB is situated on Praça do Império in Belém - T. 213 612 400 / 213 612 500 - www.ccb.pt



PORTEO - Exhibition 'Guy Tillim: Avenue Patrice Lumumba' until May 17 at Serralves Museum - Many streets in Central Africa are named after the Congolese politician of independence, Patrice Lumumba, who was assassinated in 1961. Guy Tillim's work consists of approximately 60 large photographs of modernist architecture in Congo, Angola, Mozambique, Benin and Madagascar which the colonial powers erected shortly before those countries were liberated. His work addresses the failed utopias of modernity and the difficulties faced by African peoples in their recent history - The museum is situated on Rua D. João de Castro, 210 - T. 226 156 500 / Info: 808 200 543 - www.serralves.pt



LISBON - Exhibition 'Colours of the Avant-garde, Romanian Art 1910-1950' until June 21 at Museu Nacional de Arte Contemporânea - Museu do Chiado - The project 'Colours of the Avant-Garde', developed by The Romanian Cultural Institute consists in a comprehensive exhibition targeting the tense relationship between avant-garde and tradition in the first half of the 20th century. 70 paintings selected from 9 Romanian museums build up an investigation on the political, cultural and visual conditions of the emergence of the local avant-garde and its development until the late 1950s - The Museum is situated on Rua Serpa Pinto, 4 - Open from Tuesday to Sunday (closed on Mondays) from 10h00 to 18h00 - museudochiado-ipmuseus.pt



LISBON - May 16 to June 7 - CIRQUE DU SOLEIL / VAREKAI 2009 - Deep within a forest, at the summit of a volcano, exists the extraordinary world of Varekai. From the sky falls a solitary young man parachuted into the shadows of a magical forest... and the story of Varekai begins. This production pays tribute to the nomadic soul, to the spirit and art of the circus tradition, and to the infinite passion of those whose quest

takes them along the path that leads to Varekai - The show is performed at the Grand Chapiteau, Parque Tejo on Passeio dos Herois do Mar, lote 6.18P, 1990-527 Sacavém/Loures (after Vasco da Gama bridge) - Ticket prices from €39 to €64 for adults, from €29 to €54 for children; wheelchair accessible - Tuesday to Friday at 21h30; Saturday at 17h30 and 21h30; Sunday at 16h30 and 20h30 - Ticket sales: As shown below

Events may be cancelled, delayed or fail to live up to their billing. Send us your events to copy@the-news.net by Tuesday before publication.

TICKETS: Most tickets are available at FNAC and Worten outlets across the country, ATM machines, Abreu agencies, El Corte Inglés, Casa Viola, Ticketline or at the event itself on the night.
Websites: www.pavilhaoatlantico.pt; www.ticketline.pt | Phone numbers: Ticketline 707 234 324

ALMANCIL

MAY 15

Couleur France 'Extravaganza Evening' at the Couleur France Restaurant which for €55 per person includes five dishes, accompanied by wines selected from the Quinta do Crasto line. To see a preview of the menu, see website www.couleur-france.net, under 'events' - T. 289 399 515, F. 289 394 366

MAY 15

ALMANCIL - João Cutileiro and José de Guimarães - Works from the 80s and 90s - at Centro Cultural São Lourenço - Open every day (except Monday) from 10h00-19h00 - Open also on Sundays and holidays - T. 289 395 475 / F. 289 393 281 - ccls@ol.pt

CARVOEIRO

APRIL 11

Ma-Ja's restaurant will be having live music on Saturday, 11th April from 20h00 - The band is called TAMAR and are a newly formed band, but two very experienced musicians.

FARO

APRIL 11

Benefit Concert by Orquestra do Algarve (OA) conducted by Laurent Wagner and piano soloist Eleonora Karpukhova in aid of Refúgio Aboim Ascensão - 21h30 - works from Stravinsky, Tchaikovsky and Mozart - Gambelas Grand Auditorium of Algarve University - Tickets: €10 and €5 for children under 12 - Info: 289 860 890 / 969 530 008 - www.orquestradigitalgarve.com

UNTIL APRIL 16

Exhibition 'As Grandes Viagens Marítimas da China' (China's Great Sea Voyages) - Museu Municipal de Faro - T. 289 897 400

LAGOA

UNTIL APRIL 22

Painting Exhibition by Meike Flesseman - Exhibitions Room Manuel Gamboa - S. José Convent - T. 282 380 434

LAGOS

MAY-JUNE

14 years later... Art exhibition MALA at the Slavemarket from 16.-30.Oct. 2009, in Barão de S. João a Florestal restaurant, and www.aidanbremner.com. Contacts: 00351-919211557, annegret.aidan@sapo.pt

EVERY SATURDAY

Class Act - Live Music playing Swing, Latin & Jazz at L'Escargot Restaurant. Wonderful Mediterranean food and great music - Porto Dona Maria on road between Burgau & Luz "A great evening out" Reservations recommended. T. 282 690 307 M. 961 375 289

UNTIL APRIL 18

N.E.C.I. EXHIBITION OF ARTS AND CRAFTS

THE OLD BOMBERIOS BUILDING RUE SILVA LOPEZ LAGOS
The Exhibition will run from APRIL 3RD TO 18TH
ALSO EXHIBITING ARE ARTISTS
MOIRA MAGURE AMANDA MOURA DAVID HAINES

open from 9am until late

EVERY MONDAY

Quiz Night in aid of Nandi Charity Shop - 20h00 - start at Milhocas Pastelaria - Near Boat Roundabout - Please call 919 117 108 for more info

DAILY

Visit Casa Fogaça and see how the caravels were built, and what was the food they ate on board - Access to Casa Fogaça is through the Municipal Market on Avenida da Boavista and from Rua Dr. Faria e Silva - Tuesday to Sunday from 10h00 to 18h00 - 282 780 060

LOULÉ

Market Fairs on Rua Nossa Senhora da Piedade

PADERNE

UNI APRIL 30

Joe Webster's solo exhibition at Galeria Cortef-Real opens April 11 (wine and savouries will be served in the garden from 11h-18h) - Joe Webster is recognised as an accomplished artist and gifted teacher - Art 'plein-air' classes will continue throughout the summer - The **Galeria Cortef-Real** is sign posted from Boliqueime, Ferreiras and Paderne - Summer opening hours: Thu & Sun: 12h-13h - to the architectonic spaces (museum & casa de serralves) Sun: 15h-16h - to the park Sun 11h-12h - Visits are free on the purchase of an entrance ticket to the museum - Rua D. João de Castro, 210 - T. 226 156 584 - www.serralves.pt

PORCHES

UNTIL APRIL 24

Restaurant Porches Velho - now open for lunch The renowned restaurant, famous for its traditional Portuguese food and Fado nights - As of this month the restaurant is open Mon-Sat, 12h30-14h30 & 18h30 onwards for evening meals. Closed Sun - T. 282 381 692, M. 919 255 992 - www.porchesvelho.com

PORTIMÃO

UNTIL APRIL 24

14 years later... Works of Art can be seen at EMARP - R. José António Marques, 17 - T. 282 400 260

UNTIL MAY 24

Exhibition 'Gosto de Mulheres' a portrait of the creativity of Portuguese women in the arts field like sculpture, painting, jewellery, photography, music, cinema, literature, cookery... - Arade Gallery - Fairs & Exhibitions Park - 962505344 / 964974274

SATURDAYS

Special Saturdays dedicated to Children - Music, Dance, Story telling Workshops - Manuel Teixeira Gomes Municipal Library - To enroll, call 282 480 470

SAGRES

APRIL 23

'Class Act' will be playing live - Swing, Romantic Ballads, Latin and Jazz - Vila Velha Restaurant - Fine dining and fine music - T. 282 624 788 or 917 128 402

SOUTH

SÃO BRÁS DE ALPORTEL

UNTIL APRIL 30
'The Naked Ape and Friends' Art Exhibition at S. Brás Museum - The five artists taking part in this heavily sculpture-orientated exhibition explores all the human's and animal's elements and relationships - T. 289 840 100 - amigos-museu-sbras.org

TAVIRA

EVERY 4TH SUNDAY
Car Boot Sale of the month from 10h00 to 15h00 - Same day as Stª Catarina market (Inside if wet) - Quinta Fonte do Bispo on EN270 - T. 281 971 484 - fax: 281 971 714

NORTH

UNTIL MAY 3
Exhibition 'Raoul de Keyser: Aguarelas' - Serralves Museum - 22h00 to 24h00 - T. 808 200 543

UNTIL MAY 17
Exhibition 'Bethan Huws: Fountain' - Serralves Museum from 22h00 to 24h00 - T. 808 200 543

GUIMARÃES

UNTIL APRIL 11
Exhibition MV/C+V at Palácio Flor - Centro Cultural Vila Flor on Avenida D. Afonso Henriques, 701 - T. 253 424 700

APRIL 29 TO MAY 2
'A Febre' by Wallace Shawn on stage by João Reis - Centro Cultural Vila Flor on Avenida D. Afonso Henriques, 701 - T. 253 424 700



CENTRE

CASCAIS

DAILY

Cascais Cultural Centre - Concerts, shows, exhibitions, & other events. - shops, coffee shop & terrace - Open: 10h00-18h00 (Closed Mon) - Av. Rei Humberto II de Itália - 214848900

DAILY

Sea Museum - Rei D. Carlos - Rua Júlio Pereira da Mello in Cascais - 214825400

ESTORIL

Casino Estoril - Shows, games, concerts, lots of entertainment and Art Gallery - Info.estoril@estoril-sol.com 214667700-214825400

LISBON

DAILY

Influxcontemporary is a new space dedicated to African Contemporary Art - Open From Wednesday to Saturday from 14h00 to 19h00 - **Influxcontemporary** is situated on Rua Fernando Vaz, 20B - T. 918 501 234 - www.influxcontemporary.com

MAY 24 TO JUNE 15

78th Lisbon Book Fair - Parque Eduardo VII - 132 participants with 203 pavilions being 11 dedicated to children's books - Opening times:

Exhibition 'Darwin's Evolution' - The exhibition incorporates elements of Darwin, an exhibition organized by the American Museum of Natural History, New York - Av. de Berna 45-A T. 217823523 - F. 217823019 E. darwin@gulbenkian.pt Weblog: <http://a-evolucao-de-darwin.weblog.com.pt>

Monday to Friday at 16h00; Saturday, Sundays and Holidays at 15h00; June 1 (World Children's Day), at 10h00. Closing Times: Sundays to Thursdays at 23h00; Fridays, Saturdays and days before holidays and last day of the fair at 24h00 - www.feiradolivrodelisboa.pt

UNTIL MAY 24



TUE

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BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. (T) 9.15 Lifegivers. (T) 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer. (R) (T) BBC News; Weather. (T) 11.00 To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) (T) 11.30 Sun, Sea and Bargain Spotting. (T) BBC News; Weather. (T) 12.15 Cash in the Attic. (R) (T) 1.00 BBC News; Weather. (T) 1.30 Regional News; Weather. (T) 1.45 Doctors. (T) 2.15 Diagnosis: Murder. (R) (T) 3.00 BBC News; Weather; Regional News. (T) 3.05 CBeebies: Kerwhizz. (T) 3.25 CBBC: Arthur. (T) 3.40 Arthur. (T) 3.55 Uncle Max. (R) (T) 4.05 Richard Hammond's Blast Lab. (R) (T) 4.35 Blue Peter; (T) My Wish. (R) (T) 5.05 Newsround. (T)

5.15 Weakest Link. Back-stabbing general knowledge quiz. (T)

6.00 BBC News; Weather. (T)

6.30 Regional News Programmes; Weather. (T) 7.00 The One Show. Adrian Chiles and Christine Bleakley present the live topical show, including regular features by historian Dan Snow and consumer expert Dominic Littlewood. (T)

7.30 EastEnders. Stacey is angry when Ronnie turns up at Danielle's funeral. Abi plans a romantic meal for her parents. Melinda tells Theo to keep his distance from Dot from her phone; (T) BBC News; Regional News. (T)

8.00 Hollyoaks. City Annalise is suspended as part of the inquiry into Steve Hewitt's death and finds her whole world falling apart as she seeks advice from a solicitor. Ric demands Tom prove he is up to being a surgeon after dismissing his report as a tissue of lies and demanding he produce another, while Jas sees an opportunity for advancement when she assists Elliot in secretly operating on Samson the dog. (T)

9.00 All the Small Things. There is excitement when the choir's newest two members, Sofija and Nemanja, decide to get married - but events turn sour when the couple fall out with old guard Gilbert and Ethel. However, while Sofija is anxious to do what they can to make up, Nemanja refuses to be bullied. Esther and Jake are thrown together by their work on the new choir's publicity space, and Kyle gets to know Grace better. (T)

10.00 BBC News. (T)

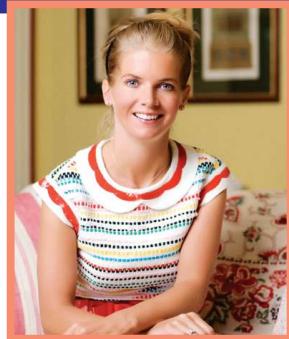
10.25 Regional News; Weather. (T)

10.35 The Planners Are Coming. Head of enforcement Joe Henry is called in to investigate when a man claims his neighbour is building a suspiciously house-shaped hay barn on greenbelt land. Meanwhile, John Ayers meets an east London family that neglected to obtain planning permission before beginning work on a kitchen extension. Last in the series. (T)

11.05 Film 2009 with Jonathan Ross. A round-up of this year's summer blockbusters. Last in the series. (T)

11.35 Damages. Patty becomes convinced Pete's death was part of a government conspiracy and wants her staff to be vigilant. Ellen is disappointed by the investigation's lack of progress. (R) (T)

12.15 FILM: Puppet on a Chain (1970). Action thriller, starring Sven-Bertil Taube. (T) Weatherwatch. (T) 1.55 Sign Zone: See Hear. (R) (T) 2.25 Sign Zone: Beyond Boundaries: Where Are They Now? (R) (T) 3.25 Sign Zone: The Hottest Place on Earth. (R) (T) 4.25 BBC News. (T)



BBC2

6.00 CBeebies: Tikkabilla. (R) (T) 6.30 Teletubbies. (R) (T) 7.00 Something Special. (R) (T) 7.20 Mister Maker. (R) (T) 7.40 Carrie and David's Popshop. (T) 8.00 CBBC: Arthur. (R) (T) 8.15 Frankenstein's Cat. (R) (T) 8.25 What's New Scooby-Doo? (R) (T) 8.45 The Secret Show. (R) (T) 9.00 The Story of Tracy Beaker. (R) (T) The Owl. (R) (T) 9.30 Best of Friends. (R) (T) 10.00 The Sorcerer's Apprentice. (R) (T) 11.00 Dangermouse. (R) (T) 11.20 FILM: Herbie Goes to Monte Carlo (1977). Disney adventure sequel, starring Dean Jones. (T) 1.00 Castle in the Country. (R) (T) 1.30 Car Booty. (R) (T) 2.15 Heir Hunters. (R) (T) 3.00 Murder, She Wrote. (R) (T) 3.45 Fog It! (R) (T) 4.30 A Question of Genius. (R) (T) 5.15 Escape to the Country. (T) 6.00 Eggheads. (T) 6.30 Great British Menu. (T) 7.00 The Department Store. A Huddersfield store that faced bankruptcy. (T) 8.00 The Speaker. The 20 teenagers compete for eight places in the next round. Continues tomorrow. (T) 9.00 Horse People with Alexandra Tolstoy. The equestrian meets a family of mounted bullfighters in Andalucia. (T) 10.00 Later Live - with Jools Holland. Performances by Marianne Faithful and Doves. An extended edition can be seen on Friday at 11.35pm. (T) 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. (T) 11.20 The Wire. (T) 12.15 High Altitude. (R) (T) 12.45 The Super League Show. (T) 1.15 BBC News. (T) 4.00 BBC Learning Zone. (T)

C4

5.50 The Hoobs. (R) (T) 6.15 The Hoobs. (R) (T) 6.40 Planet Cook. (R) (T) 7.00 Freshly Squeezed. 7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) (T) 8.00 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) (T) 8.30 Frasier. (R) (T) 9.00 Will & Grace. (R) (T) 9.30 Will & Grace. (R) (T) 9.55 Brothers & Sisters. (R) (T) 10.50 Without a Trace. (R) (T) 11.45 The Kitchen Pharmacy. (R) (T) 12.00 News at Noon. (T) 12.30 In Your Dreams. (R) (T) 12.45 Back to You. (R) (T) 1.10 FILM: Young at Heart (1954). Musical romance, starring Frank Sinatra and Doris Day. (T) 3.25 Countdown. (T) 4.15 Dear or No Deal. (T) 5.00 The Paul O'Grady Show. (T) 6.00 The Simpsons. (R) (T) 6.30 Holyoaks. (T) 7.00 Channel 4 News. (T) 7.55 3 Minute Wonder: The Filmmakers of Kabul. New series of short films highlighting modern Afghanistan. (T) 8.00 Gok's Fashion Fix. New series in which Gok Wan teaches women the values of economic fashion. (T) 9.00 The Hospital. How the NHS is struggling to cope with teenage obesity. (T) 10.00 Shameless. Ian is angry to learn Liam has been skipping school and that Danny is to blame. Meanwhile, as Paddy goes cold turkey, Mimi worries about his past infidelity and her uncertain future. (T) 11.05 The Big Bang Theory. (T) 11.35 My Name Is Earl. (R) (T) 12.05 Premier League Poker. 1.05 Destination 2012. (R) 2.00 World Sport. (R) (T) 2.30 KOTV Classics. (R) (T) 3.25 Sailing. (R) 3.55 Full Metal Challenge. (R) (T) 4.55 Time Team. (R) (T)

FIVE

6.00 Milkshake! Miss Spider's Sunny Patch Friends. (R) (T) 6.10 The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) (T) 6.25 Fireman Sam. (R) (T) 6.35 The Beeps. (R) (T) 6.45 Peppa Pig. (R) (T) 6.50 Roobarb and Custard Too. (R) (T) 7.00 Olivia. (R) (T) 7.15 Little Princess. (R) (T) 7.25 Chiro. (R) (T) 7.30 The Mr Men Show. (R) (T) 7.45 Make Way for Noddy. (R) (T) 8.00 Fit and the Flowerots. (R) (T) 8.15 Peppa Pig. (R) (T) 8.20 Peppa Pig. (R) (T) 8.25 Thomas & Friends. (R) (T) 8.40 Pocoyo. (R) (T) 8.50 Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures. (R) (T) 8.55 Play! (R) (T) 9.05 Roary the Racing Car. (R) (T) 9.15 Michaela's Zoo Babies. (R) (T) 10.15 Monkey Life. (R) (T) 10.45 Monkey Life. (R) (T) 11.15 Extraordinary Animals. (R) (T) 11.45 World's Strongest Man. (R) (T) 12.45 Five News. (T) 12.55 Wordplay. (T) 14.5 Neighbours. (T) 2.15 Home and Away. (T) 2.50 Wordplay Plus. (T) 3.10 The Family Recipe. (R) (T) 3.15 FILM: Revealed Journey (2004). Fact-based drama, starring Mary-Louise Parker. (T) 5.00 Five News with Natasha Kaplinsky; Weather. (T) 5.30 Neighbours. (R) (T) 6.00 Home and Away. (R) (T) 6.30 Monkey Life. (R) (T) 7.00 Five News. (T) 7.30 Highland Emergency. The Royal Navy search team rescues a seriously injured climber; (R) (T) 7.45 Five News Update. (T) 8.00 Was Dr Crippen Innocent? Revisited. Revisiting the notorious murder case; (R) (T) 8.00 Five News at 9.90 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. A violent suicide outside a courtroom sheds new light on an murder case. (T) 10.00 CSI: Miami. Three arms smugglers are killed by a rare gun; (R) (T) 5.00 Five News Update. (T) 11.00 CSI: NY. (R) (T) 12.00 The Shield. (R) (T) 1.00 NBA Basketball. 3.30 FIFA Club World Cup Final. (R) 5.10 Neighbours. (R) (T) 5.35 Home and Away. (R) (T)

LOCAL

Best of the Rest

RTP1

0630 Bom Dia Portugal 1000 Praça da Alegria 1300 News 1415 Charisma da Vida 1610 Portugal no Coração 1800 Portugal em Directo 1905 Preço Certo 2000 News 2100 30 Minutos 2130 Duelo Final 2230 Serviço de Saúde 2330 Champions League Highlights 0015 Liga dos Últimos 0115 Lost, series 0200 Provada Amor 0345 Telesales 0605 Nós

RTP2

0720 Zig Zag 1400 Sociedade Civil 1530 O Meu Bairro 1600 National Geographic 1700 Zig Zag 1830 A Fé dos Homens 1900 AB Ciência 1950 Zig Zag 2045 Everybody Hates Chris, series 2115 National Geographic 2200 News 2240 Grey's Anatomy, series 2330 Bairro Alto 0030 Notas do Dia 0200 Câmara Clara 0315 Euronews 0500 Sociedade Civil

SIC

0600 Sic Notícias 0900 Ligou, Ganhou! 1000 Fátima 1300 News 1415 O Cravo e a Rosa 1530 Contacto 1715 Rebelde Way 1800 Três Irmãos 1900 Nós por Cá 2000 News 2115 Tá a Gravar 2230 Caminho das Índias 2345 Podia Acabar o Mundo 0045 Criminal Minds, series 0145 CSI Las Vegas, series 0230 Quando o Telefone Toca 0430 Entourage, series TVI

0700 Diário Da Manhã 1015 Voce na TV! 1300 News 1400 As Tardes da Júlia 1700 Quem quer ganha 1815 Morangos com Açúcar 2000 News 2130 Flor de Mar 2230 Feitiço de Amor 2330 Olhos nos Olhos 0015 U-Turn, film 0230 Sempre a Somar 0430 The Unit, series 0530 Telesales

BBC3

7.00 Doctor Who 7.45 The Real Hustle 8.00 Don't Tell the Bride 9.00 Two Pints: Fags, Lads and Kebabs 10.00 EastEnders 10.30 Home & Cordeen 11.10 Family Guy 11.25 Family Guy 11.45 Two Pints: Fags, Lads and Kebabs 12.45 Home & Cordeen 1.15 Don't Tell the Bride 2.15 Natalie Cassidy's Real Britain 3.10 Young Mums' Mansion: The Dads Arrive 4.10 Gary: Young, Psychic and Possessed 5.10 Close

BBC4

7.00 World News Today 7.00 Weather 7.30 Coal House at War 8.00 All Our Working Lives: Working the Land 9.00 Early Doors 9.30 I've Never Seen Star Wars 10.00 Mad Men 10.50 Law and Order 12.10 Film: The End Jungle 15 (1961) 1.00 1959-A Panorama Guide 2.00 I've Never Seen Star Wars 2.30 All Our Working Lives: Working the Land 3.30 I've Never Seen Star Wars 4.00 Close

ITV2

1.00 Emmerdale 1.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show 2.35 The Jeremy Kyle Show 3.45 Loose Women 4.45 Ricki Lake 5.25 Sally Jessy Raphael 6.10 Judge Judy 7.00 All Star Family Fortunes 7.45 Creature Comforts 8.00 Superhuman: World's Tallest Children 9.00 Coleen's Real Women 10.00 Film: The Fast and the Furious 12 (2006) 12.05 Film:

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Pick of the Day

Horse People with Alexandra Tolstoy (BBC2, 9pm)

This week, the adventurous presenter finds herself in Spain, where she discovers there's more to the region of Jerez in Andalucia than the tourist industry. Tolstoy learns how, in some quarters, bulfighting is done on horseback, and meets the Bohorquez clan, who have bred horses for just such a purpose for centuries. Among her many challenges are helping to train a horse to face a bull, and taking on a dressage competition. Those of a squeamish nature might like to have a cushion handy as Tolstoy also tries her hand at artificially inseminating a mare at a specialist centre. Finally, the episode ends on a high as she participates in an eye-opening pilgrimage. Speaking about her experiences in Spain, while making this fascinating series, the presenter says: "I have travelled quite a lot before, but very specifically in Central Asia and Russia, and horses are quite a common denominator. In Spain it was about the pomp and ceremony of horses. They have the most amazing dressage school. Yes, I learned a huge amount." Although there's still another episode to transmit, Tolstoy clearly loved the experience, saying: "I'd love to make more. We're talking to the BBC about various projects — it's a fantastic job, I feel so lucky."

ITV1

5.30 ITV Morning News. (T) 6.00 GMTV. (T) 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) (T) 10.30 This Morning. (T) 12.30 Loose Women. (T) 1.30 ITV Lunchtime News. (T) 1.55 London News and Weather. (T) 2.00 60 Minute Makeover. (R) (T) 3.00 Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) (T) 4.00 A Touch of Frost. (R) (T) 4.59 London Weather. (T)

5.00 Taste the Nation. Two teams bid for the first place in the semi-finals. (T) 6.00 London Tonight; Weather. (T) 6.30 ITV Evening News; Weather. (T)

7.00 Emmerdale. Shadrach spreads the word about Zak's innocence in the hope he will return home in time for Bells' reading at the Easter celebrations. Lee tries to kick-start her marriage and Lee forgives Mick, but rejects an offer to return for the Wyldes. Meanwhile, Katie's affections shift toward Nathan. (T)

7.30 UEFA Champions League Live. Chelsea v Liverpool (Kick-off 7.45pm). Steve Rider introduces coverage of the quarter-final second-leg tie at Stamford Bridge, the teams' 10th meeting in this competition in five seasons. Subsequent programmes subject to change. (T)

10.00 News at Ten and Weather. (T) 10.30 London News and Weather. (T)

10.35 UEFA Champions League Highlights. Craig Doyle introduces action from this evening's quarter-final second-legs, featuring Chelsea v Liverpool at Stamford Bridge and Bayern Munich v Barcelona at the Allianz Arena. The Premier League rivals were meeting in the knockout phase for the fourth time in five seasons, from which the Reds had triumphed twice and the Blues once. The Bundesliga and La Liga sides were in action in Germany, with Bayern targeting their first semi-final appearance since they won the competition in 2001/02, and Barca looking for a place in the last four for the second year running. (T)

11.35 Clough. Another chance to see the documentary exploring the life and legacy of notoriously outspoken football manager Brian Clough, to coincide with the recent release of The Damned United, the film based on the novel by David Peace and starring Michael Sheen. The programme includes interviews with his widow Barbara and son Nigel, as well as his friends and footballers who played under him, as it traces his managerial career at Derby County, his notoriously brief stay at Leeds United (the subject of the film and book) through to his European success at Nottingham Forest. Archive footage includes the debate filmed just after his sacking as Leeds manager, where he came face to face with Don Revie. Narrated by Pete Postlethwaite. (R) (T)

12.45 Nightwatch with Steve Scott: Mystery. (R) (T) 1.40 Supernatural. (R) (T) ITV News Headlines. 2.25 Loose Women. (R) 3.10 The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) (T) 4.05 ITV Nightscreen.

MOVIES

Sky Movies Drama

6.15 Rocky Balboa 12 (2006) 8.15 The Capture of the Green River Killer 9.50 School Ties PG (1992) 11.40 The Good Shepherd 15 (2006) With Matt Damon. 2.30 On Broadway 12 (2007) With Joey McIntyre. 4.15 Wah-Wah 15 (2006) With Nicholas Hoult. 6.00 Becoming Jane PG (2006) With Anne Hathaway. 8.00 Lions for Lambs 15 (2007) With Robert Redford. 9.45 Gridiron Gang 12 (2006) With Dwayne Johnson. 12.00 Vanishing Point 18 (1971) With Barry Newman. 2.00 Mortal Thoughts 19 (1991) With Demi Moore. 4.00 The Top Show 4.20 Loss of Faith PG (1997)

Sky Movies Comedy

7.20 The Out-of-Towners 12 (1999) 8.55 The Boat That Rocked Special 9.25 The Heartbreak Kid 15 (2007) 11.25 Evan Almighty PG (2007) With Steve Carell. 9.45 The Bachelor 12 (1999) With Chris O'Donnell. 3.10 The Out-of-Towners 12 (1999) 4.45 Expired Date 12 (2006)

Sky Movies Action/Thriller

7.10 Tremors II: Aftershocks 12 (1995) 8.55 The Avengers 12 (1998) 10.25 Rescue Dawn 12 (2006)

12.35 National Treasure: Book of Secrets PG (2007) With Nicolas Cage. 2.40 Legionnaire 15 (1998) With Jean-Claude Van Damme. 4.20 Rescue Dawn 12 (2006) With Christian Bale. 6.30 The Avengers 12 (1999) With Ralph Fiennes. 8.00 Deep Blue Sea 15 (1999) With Samuel L. Jackson. 10.00 Shoot 'Em Up (2007) With Clive Owen. 11.35 National Treasure: Book of Secrets PG (2007) With Nicolas Cage. 1.45 Face 18 (1997) With Robert Carlyle. 3.35 Tremors II: Aftershocks 12 (1995) 5.20 The Magic Sword: The Quest for Camelot PG (1998)

Sky Sports 1

6.00 Good Morning Sports Fans 9.00 Champions League Weekly 9.30 Live Masters Tennis. Day three of the Monte-Carlo Masters. 5.30 Great Run Series 6.00 Big League Weekend 2.7.30 Live Speedway. Wolverhampton Wolves v Belle Vue Aces. 9.30 Great Run Series 10.00 Big League Weekend 2.11.30 Football Asia 1.00 Speedway 3.00 Big League Weekend 2.4.30 Revista De La Liga 12.30 Football Asia 1.00 Speedway 3.00 Big League Weekend 2.4.30 Revista De La Liga 5.30 Football Asia

Sky Sports 2

6.00 Aerobics Oz Style 6.30 Adrenaline Adventures 7.00 WWWE: Afterburn 8.00 Soccer AM 9.00 Super League 11.00 Poker 1.00 Soccer AM: The Best Bits 2.00 Super League 4.00 Soccer AM: The Best Bits 5.00 Revista De La Liga 6.00 Adrenaline Adventures 6.30 Great Run Series 7.00 360 Series 7.30 Football Asia 8.00 Cricket 9.00 Adrenaline Adventures 9.30 360 Series 10.00 Poker 11.30 NFL: Total Access 12.30 Masters Tennis 2.10 Cricket 3.30 Close

Sky Sports 3

6.00 Close 8.30 The Grid 9.00 High Five 9.30 Adrenaline Adventures 11.00 Soccer AM: The Best Bits 11.00 Aerobics Oz Style 11.30 Racing News 12.00 The Grid 12.30 H20 Sports International 1.00 Max Power 2.00 Adrenaline Adventures 2.30 Wild Sports 3.00 Poker 5.00 WWE: Smackdown 7.00 Sports Unlimited 8.00 Pool 9.00 Airports World 9.30 Wild Sports 10.00 Sports Unlimited 11.00 Cricket 12.00 Pool 1.00 Modern Pentathlon 2.00 Great Run Series 2.30 360 Series 3.00 Close

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5.15 Weakest Link. Anne Robinson piles on the pressure in another round of the general knowledge contest, where teamwork goes head to head with greed. (R) (T)

6.00 BBC News; Weather. (T)

6.30 Regional News Programmes; Weather. (T)

7.00 The One Show. Topical reports from across the UK, featuring contributions from historian Dan Snow and broadcaster Hardeep Singh Kohli. Dominic Littlewood is also on hand with consumer advice, while Ellie Harrison reports on issues affecting wildlife across Britain. Adrian Chiles and Christine Bleakley present. (T)

7.30 Animal 24/7. Tom Heap introduces two peregrine chicks to an unsuspecting foster family, the RSPCA investigate the case of a puppy with a broken leg, and a team from the British Divers Marine Life Rescue battles to save an orphaned porpoise. (R) (T) BBC News; Regional News. (T)

8.00 Waterlily Road. Tom's decision to run an Army Day at school descends into chaos when a pupil seizes the opportunity for personal revenge, and his relationship with Davina is put in jeopardy when she finds out he has lent money to Rose Kelly. Meanwhile, Kim wonders whether she has done enough to protect her secret from the home office as the investigation intensifies. (T)

9.00 The Apprentice. For their fourth task, the teams are challenged to make and sell two new bath and beauty products using natural ingredients, and create a distinctive brand identity to make their items stand out from the crowd. However, tension mounts among the candidates as they struggle with complicated recipes, controversial creative decisions, and the difficulty of determining how much stock to manufacture. (T)

10.00 BBC News. (T)

10.25 Regional News; Weather. (T)

10.35 The National Lottery Draws. The balls are set rolling to decide the all-important numbers. Presented by Jamelia. (T)

10.45 FILM: The Stepford Wives (2004). Black comedy, starring Nicole Kidman; (T) National Lottery Update. (T)

12.10 FILM: Eye of the Beholder (1999). Thriller, starring Ewan McGregor; (T) Weatherview. (T) 1.55 Sign Zone: Jimmy Doherty in Darwin's Garden. (R) (T) 2.55 Sign Zone: Grow Your Own Drugs. (R) (T) 3.25 Sign Zone: Oz and Jamie Drink to British Beer. (R) (T) 3.55 Sign Zone: MasterChef. (R) (T) 4.25 Sign Zone: MasterChef. (R) (T) 4.55 BBC News. (T)



BBC2

6.00 CBeebies: Tikkabilla. (R) (T) 6.30 Teletubbies. (R) (T) 7.00 Something Special. (R) (T) 7.20 Mister Maker. (R) (T) 7.40 Carrie and David's Popshop. (R) (T) 8.00 CBBC: Arthur. (R) (T) 8.15 Frankenstein's Cat. (R) (T) 8.25 What's New Scooby-Doo? (R) (T) 8.45 The Secret Show. (R) (T) 9.00 The Story of Tracy Beaker. (R) (T) The Owl. (R) (T) 9.30 Best of Friends. (R) (T) 10.00 The Sorcerer's Apprentice. (R) (T) 11.00 Dangerous. (R) (T) 11.20 FILM: The Cat from Outer Space (1978). Disney comedy, starring Roddy McDowall. (T) 1.00 See Hear. (T) 1.30 Car Booty. (R) (T) 2.15 Heir Hunters. (R) (T) 3.00 Murder, She Wrote. (R) (T) 3.45 Fog It! (R) (T) 4.30 A Question of Genius. (T) 5.15 Escape to the Country. (I) 6.00 Eggheads. (T) 6.30 Great British Menu. (T) 7.00 Escape to the Country. Jules Hudson helps a couple with a £750,000 budget, search for a country farmhouse in Powys, Wales, with enough land to raise livestock and grow their own vegetables. (R) (T) 8.00 The Speaker. Earl Spencer mentors the contestants at his stately home. Continues next Tuesday. (T) 9.00 Alan Whicker's Journey of a Lifetime. The journalist returns to Hong Kong. Last in the series. (T) 10.00 The Apprentice: You're Fired! With Andy Parsons, Sarah Halton and Jo Elvin. (T) 10.30 Newsnight. (T) Weather. (T) 11.20 The Wire. (T) 12.15 Mad Men. (T) 1.05 BBC News. (T) 4.00 BBC Learning Zone. (T)

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ITV1

Extraordinary People: Britain's Tiniest Toddlers (live, 8pm)

The next time you gasp in horror and cancel any plans you had made for the weekend when you spy a spot forming on your chin, or moan about a bad-hair day, hang your head in shame and spare a thought for the people featured in this series, whose physical difficulties never prevent them from living life to the full. This programme focuses on three children who were born with an incredibly rare condition called microcephalic osteodysplastic primordial dwarfism — a condition that renders them less than half the size of other kids their age. At nearly four years old, Liam is just 29 inches tall and weighs the same as a three-month-old baby. The cameras follow him as he prepares for his fourth birthday party, and days later he meets Danny — one of the world's few primordial dwarves to have made it through to adulthood. The film also follows Alex, who stands at 30 inches tall and has great difficulty feeding. Understandably concerned, his parents take him to Alder Hey Children's Hospital in Liverpool, and are relieved to discover there is no physiological problem preventing their son from eating. Meanwhile, in Wrexham, 25-inch-tall Finn prepares for her first day at school.

C4

5.50 The Hoobs. (R) (T) 6.15 The Hoobs. (R) (T) 6.40 Planet Cook. (R) (T) 7.00 Freshly Squeezed. 7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) (T) 8.00 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) (T) 8.30 Fraiser. (R) (T) 9.00 Will & Grace. (R) (T) 9.30 Will & Grace. (R) (T) 10.00 Brothers & Sisters. (R) (T) 10.50 Without a Trace. (R) (T) 11.45 The Kitchen Pharmacy. (R) (T) 12.00 News at Noon. (T) 12.30 Grudge Match. (R) (T) 12.50 Back to You. (R) (T) 1.20 FILM: Donovan's Reef (1963). Comedy drama, starring John Wayne and Lee Marvin. (T) 3.25 Countdown. (T) 4.15 Deal or No Deal. (T) 5.00 The Paul O'Grady Show. (T) 6.00 The Simpsons. (R) (T) 6.30 Hollywoods. (T) 7.00 Channel 4 News. (T) 7.55 3 Minute Wonder: The Filmmakers of Kabul. A tribute to Afghan film workers. (T) 8.00 Embarrassing Bodies. New series of the documentary looking at physiological concerns. (T) 9.00 Grand Designs. An update on a couple who transformed a cottage into a modern home. (T) 10.00 Desperate Housewives. Susan tries to impress a work colleague, Carlos is reunited with an old acquaintance, and Bree takes action to protect herself from embarrassment as Orson's new habit intensifies. (T) 11.00 Shameless. (R) (T) 12.05 4Music: 4Music Favourites: Doves. (T) 12.40 4Music: 4Play: Operahouse. (T) 12.50 4Music: The Album Chart Show. (R) (T) 1.15 Would You Have a Stranger? (R) (T) 2.15 Unreported World. (R) (T) 2.40 3 Minute Wonder: Home from Home. (R) (T) 2.45 Hill Street Blues. (R) 3.35 The Middle Ages. (R) (T) 4.00 Time Team. (R) (T) 4.55 Countdown. (R) (T) 5.40 Cubezz. (R) (T)

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6.00 Milkshake! Miss Spider's Sunny Patch Friends. (R) (T) 6.10 The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) (T) 6.25 Fireman Sam. (R) (T) 6.35 The Beeps. (R) (T) 6.45 Peppa Pig. (R) (T) 6.50 Roobarb and Custard Too. (R) (T) 7.00 Olivia. (R) (T) 7.15 Little Princess. (R) (T) 7.25 Chirio. (R) (T) 7.30 The Mr Men Show. (R) (T) 7.45 Make Way for Noddy. (R) (T) 8.00 Fifi and the Flowerots. (R) (T) 8.15 Peppa Pig. (R) (T) 8.20 Peppa Pig. (R) (T) 8.25 Thomas & Friends. (R) (T) 8.40 Pocoyo. (R) (T) 8.50 Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures. (R) (T) 8.55 Play! (R) (T) 9.05 Roast the Racing Car. (R) (T) 9.15 Michaela's Zoo Babies. (R) (T) 10.15 Monkey Life. (R) (T) 10.45 Monkey Life. (R) (T) 11.15 Extraordinary Animals. (R) (T) 11.45 World's Strongest Man. (R) (T) 12.45 Five News. (T) 12.55 Wordplay. (T) 1.45 Neighbours. (T) 2.15 Home and Away. (T) 2.50 Wordplay Plus. (T) 3.10 FILM: Columbo: Butterfly in Shades of Grey (1993). Crime drama, starring Peter Falk and William Shatner. (T) 5.00 Five News with Natasha Kaplinsky; Weather. (T) 5.30 Neighbours. (R) (T) 6.00 Home and Away. (R) (T) 6.30 Monkey Life. (R) (T) 7.00 Five News at 7. (T) 7.30 Michaela's Zoo Babies. A white rhino is pregnant at an animal park in Cumbria; (R) (T) 7.30 Five News Update. (T) 8.00 Oil Riggers. The Longhorn rig grinds to a halt; (T) 8.00 Five News at 9. 9.00 Extraordinary People: Britain's Tiniest Toddlers. Children who are less than half the size of others their age. (T) 10.00 The Girl in the Box. A woman who was held captive for seven years. (R) (T) 11.05 Police Interceptors. Special Edition. (R) (T) 12.05 Poker. 1.35 Al Grand Prix. 2.25 Race and Rally UK. 3.25 NHL Ice Hockey. 4.35 NHL Ice Hockey. (R) 5.10 Neighbours. (R) (T) 5.35 Home and Away. (R) (T)

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BBC3

7.00 Doctor Who 7.45 The Real Hustle 8.00 Film: Catch Me If You Can 12 (2002) 10.15 Horne & Cordey 10.45 Family Guy 11.05 Family Guy 11.30 18 Pregnant Schoolgirls 12.30 Natalie Cassidy's Real Britain 1.30 Horne & Cordey 2.18 Pregnant Schoolgirls 2.55 Natalie Cassidy's Real Britain 3.55 Freaky Eaters 4.55 Close

BBC4

7.00 World News Today 7.00 Weather 7.30 Wainwright Walks: Coast to Coast 8.00 Victorian Farm 9.00 Mud, Sweat and Tears: The Story of Agriculture 10.00 Wainwright Walks: Coast to Coast 10.30 Newswipe with Charlie Brooker 11.00 I've Never Seen Star Wars 11.30 Pop Britannia 12.30 Pop on Trial 1.30 Batman 1.55 Batman 2.20 Mad Men 3.05 Mad Men 3.55 Close

ITV2

1.00 American USA 1.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show 2.35 The Jeremy Kyle Show 3.45 Loose Women 4.45 Ricki Lake 5.25 Sally Jessy Raphael 6.10 Judge Judy 7.00 All Star Family Fortunes 7.45 Creature Comforts 8.00 Extreme Slimmers 9.00 Gossip Girl 10.00 Celebrity Juice 10.30 Katie Price: Life Stories 12.00 Coronation Street 12.30 Film: Scary Movie 18 (2000) 2.05 Teleshopping 5.05 ITV2 Nightscreen

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MOVIES

Sky Movies Drama

6.00 The Simple Life of Noah Dearborn PG (1999) 7.45 Pictures of Hollis Woods PG (2007) 9.30 Because I Said So (2007) 11.15 Love 'N' Dancing 12 (2008) With Amy Smart, 12.55 The Top 10 Show 1.15 The Thin Red Line 15 (1998) With Sean Penn, 4.15 Imaginary Playmate 12 (2006) With Diana Meyer, 5.45 Dreamgirls 12 (2006) With Jamie Foxx, 8.00 Phenomenon PG (1996) With John Travolta, 10.15 Platoon 15 (1986) With Charlie Sheen, 12.15 Ride with the Devil 1999 With Tobey Maguire, 2.45 Consenting Adults 15 (1992) With Kevin Kline, 4.30 The Top 10 Show 4.50 The Patron Saint of Liars PG (1997) 4.50 Bit Size Brainiac 5.10 Guilty!

Sky Movies Comedy

6.50 Flyboys 12 (2006) 9.10 Patriot Games 15 (1992) 11.10 Three Kings 15 (1999) With George Clooney, 1.15 The Bone Collector 15 (1999) With Denzel Washington, 3.15 Blood Diamond 15 (2006) With Leonardo DiCaprio, 5.40 The Hunt for Red October PG (1990) With Sean Connery, 8.00 The Bone Collector 15 (1999) With Denzel Washington, 10.00 Patriot Games 15 (1992) With Harrison Ford, 12.00 Blue Streak 12 (1999) With Diane Cook, 2.05 As Good as It Gets 15 (1997) With Jack Palance, 4.30 Spy Hard PG (1996) With Leslie

Nielsen 6.05 The Top 10 Show

6.20 Blades of Glory 12 (2007) With Will Ferrell, 8.00 I Now Pronounce You Chuck & Larry 12 (2007) With Adam Sandler, 10.00 Good Luck Chuck 15 (2007) With Diane Cook, 11.45 As Good as It Gets 15 (1997) With Jack Nicholson, 2.05 Paperback Hero 15 (1998) With Hugh Jackman, 3.45 Spy Hard PG (1996) With John Travolta, 10.30 I Wanna Hold Your Hand PG (1978)

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6.00 Good Morning Sports Fans 9.00 Football Asia 9.30 Live Masters Tennis, Day four of the Monte-Carlo Masters, 5.30 Football Asia 6.00 Boots 'n' All 7.00 Transworld Sport 8.00 Hatton v Pacquiao 24/7 12.30 Total Rugby 9.00 Masters Tennis 11.00 FIFA Futbol Mundial 11.30 Hatton v Pacquiao 24/7 12.00 Poker 1.30 FIFA Futbol Mundial 2.00 Boots 'n' All 3.00 Hatton v Pacquiao 24/7 5.30 Total Rugby 4.00 Boots 'n' All 5.00 Hatton v Pacquiao 24/7 5.30 FIFA Futbol Mundial

Sky Sports 2

6.00 Aerobics Oz Style 6.30 Adrenaline Adventures 7.00 WWE Vintage Collection 8.00 Cricket 9.00 High Five 9.30 Revista De La Liga 10.30 Big League Weekend 21.00 Football Asia 12.30 Speedway 2.30 Big League Weekend 2.40 UEFA Champions League 4.30 UEFA Champions League 5.00 UEFA Champions League 5.30 UEFA Champions League 6.00 European Tour 7.00 UEFA Cup 7.15 UEFA Europa League 7.30 UEFA Cup 7.50 Figure Skating 7.15 SportDestination 7.25 Olympic Magazine 7.55 Wednesday Selection 8.00 Riders Club 8.05 Golf: The Masters 9.00 US PGA Golf 10.05 European Tour Golf 10.35 Club 10.40 Youth Club 11.00 Cycling 12.00 Cycling 12.30 Close

British Eurosport

7.30 Triathlon 8.00 Yoz Magazine 8.15 Figure Skating 10.00 TrialBikes 11.00 Motocross 12.00 Cycling 1.00 Live Cycling, The Tour of Turkey, 3.00 Cycling 3.30 World Series by Renault 4.00 UEFA Cup Football 5.00 Eurogoals Flash 5.15 UEFA Cup Football 6.15 Figure Skating 7.15 SportDestination 7.25 Olympic Magazine 7.55 Wednesday Selection 8.00 Riders Club 8.05 Golf: The Masters 9.00 US PGA Golf 10.05 European Tour Golf 10.35 Club 10.40 Youth Club 11.00 Cycling 12.00 Cycling 12.30 Close

Sky Sports Xtra

1.30 Modern Pentathlon 2.30 Pool 3.30 360 Series 4.00 Adrenaline Adventures 4.30 High Five 5.00 NFL: Total Access 6.00 Great Run Series 6.30 Rallyzone 7.00 Watersports World 8.00 Boots 'n' All 9.00 European Tour Weekly 9.30 Total Rugby 10.00 TransWorld Sport 11.00 Adrenaline Adventures 11.30 Great Run Series 12.00 Watersports World 1.00 Adrenaline Adventures 1.30 Rallyzone 2.00 Great Run Series 2.30 Close

Sky Sports 3

6.00 Great Run Series 6.30 Modern Pentathlon 7.30 Speedway 9.30 Poker 11.00 Aerobics Oz Style 11.30 Racing News 12.00 Cricket 1.00 Poker 2.30 Great Run Series 3.00 Cricket 4.00 Modern Pentathlon 5.00 WWE: Bottom Line 6.00 WWE: Afterburn 7.00 Total Rugby 7.30 Live UEFA Champions League (1990)

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5.15 Weakest Link. Anne Robinson asks more general knowledge questions against the clock as contestants try to avoid being voted off the team. (T)

6.00 BBC News; Weather. (T)
6.30 Regional News Programmes; Weather. (T)
7.00 The One Show. Adrian Chiles and Christine Bleakley present the live show, with their team of roving reporters uncovering topical stories across the UK. (T)

7.30 EastEnders. Stacey tries to comfort Ronnie as the funeral ends and worries Danielle's father Andy to help her. Shirley finds Phil drunk in his car and Dot confronts Dotty about her phone. (T) BBC News; Regional News. (T)

8.00 My Family. Susan offers her support to an old friend going through a divorce, and Ben is roped in as a "date" to make the woman's husband jealous. Guest starring Belinda Lang. (T)

8.30 DIY SOS. Nick Knowles and the team come to the aid of the Oxford family. Andy took two years off work to look after son Jordan and care for wife Lisa, who was diagnosed with brain cancer. This left no time to finish their extension, and the lack of space forced them to share the same bed. The experts are dispatched to the family home in Frimley in Surrey to rescue the situation. (T)

9.00 Traffic Cops. Officers in South Wales track down people with something to hide, including drug dealers, bad drivers and an amorous couple. (T)

10.00 BBC News. (T)
10.25 Regional News; Weather. (T)

10.35 The Narnia Code. When CS Lewis's The Chronicles of Narnia were first published, many scholars thought there was a hidden meaning beneath the stories. This programme examines the claims of Lewis expert Dr Michael Ward, who believes he has uncovered a code. Using dramatisations of the author's early life and career, the documentary offers views from the experts, tests out the evidence and reveals some challenging ideas. (T)

11.35 FILM: White Oleander (2002). Drama, starring Alison Lohman. (T) Holiday Weather. (T)

1.25 Sign Zone: Panorama. (R) (T) 1.55 Sign Zone: Watchdog. (R) (T) 2.25 Sign Zone: Countryfile. (R) (T)

3.20 Sign Zone: MasterChef. (R) (T) 3.50 Sign Zone: MasterChef. (R) (T) 4.50 BBC News. (T)



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ITV1

Kirstie's Homemade Home (C4, 8pm)

For the past decade or so, Channel 4 has been the station to watch if you're interested in property. At the forefront of these programmes has been Kirsty Allsopp who, alongside her professional partner Phil Spencer, has hosted Location, Location, Location and Relocation Relocation since May 2001. But that was back when house prices were rocketing and people were seemingly obsessed with climbing the property ladder. Sadly, those days are now gone, and in this terrible economic climate, members of the public are struggling to get on that infamous ladder, never mind move up it. With that clearly in mind, Channel 4 has switched its focus from buying houses to doing up the ones we already live in — and on a budget too. This new series follows Kirsty as she transforms a rundown Devon cottage into something special by using traditional methods and crafts. Each episode will see Kirsty tackle a different project, from revamping furniture bought at auction to sewing her own cushions and making mosaics. She says: "I want to prove that you can create something unique and wonderful using amazing artisans from the West Country and around the UK rather than going down the same old mass-produced route. I think it is possible to budget sensibly and buy British and I'm keen to show that."

C4

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6.00 The Hoobs. (R) (T) 6.15 The Hoobs. (R) (T) 6.40 Planet Cook. (R) (T) 7.00 Freshly Squeezed. 7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) (T) 8.00 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) (T) 8.30 Frasier. (R) (T) 9.00 Will & Grace. (R) (T) 9.30 Will & Grace. (R) (T) 10.00 Brothers & Sisters. (R) (T) 10.50 Without a Trace. (R) (T) 11.45 The Kitchen Pharmacy. (R) (T) 12.00 News at Noon. (R) (T) 12.30 3 Minute Wonder: The Filmmakers of Kabul. (T) 12.35 In Your Dreams. (R) (T) 12.50 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away. (R) (T) 1.50 FILM: Sword of Sherwood Forest (1960). Robin Hood adventure, starring Richard Greene. (T) 3.25 Countdown. (T) 4.15 Dear or No Deal. (T) 5.00 The Paul O'Grady Show. (T) 6.00 The Simpsons. (R) (T) 6.30 Hollywoods. (T) 7.00 Channel 4 News. (T) 7.55 3 Minute Wonder: The Filmmakers of Kabul. The inequality between the sexes. Last in the series. (T) 8.00 **Kirstie's Homemade Home.** New series. Kirstie Allsopp transforms a cottage in Devon. (T) 9.00 Missing: Race Against Time. Three families search for their loved ones. (T) 10.00 Around the World in 80 Trades. Conor Woodman continues his trading adventure in Asia, beginning in Delhi where he plans to sell 4,000 bottles of South African chilli sauce, before buying horses in Kyrgyzstan. (T) 11.05 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA. (R) (T) 12.05 When Women Rule the World. (R) (T) 1.05 Duplicate Drama. (R) (T) 1.30 Surrogate Junkies. (R) (T) 2.30 Mesh: Daddy. (R) 2.35 Hill Street Blues. (R) (T) 3.25 Mesh: The Wrong Turn. (R) (T) 3.30 The Middle Ages. (R) (T) 4.00 Time Team. (R) (T) 4.50 Countdown. (R) (T) 5.35 Inuk. (R) (T) 5.50 The Hoobs. (R) (T)

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LOCAL

Best of the Rest

RTP1
0630 Bom Dia Portugal 1000 Praça da Alegria 1300 News 1415 Chamás da Vida 1600 Portugal no Coração 1800 Preço Certo 1900 News 1945 UEFA Cup 2130 Grande Entrevisa 2200 TBA000 Quarto Crescente 0100 The Nine, series 0230 UEFA Cup Highlights 0300 Prova de Amor 0445 Telesales 0605 Nos

RTP2
0720 Zig Zag 1400 Sociedade Civil 1530 O Meu Bairro 1600 National Geographic 1700 Zig Zag 1830 A Fé dos Homens 1900 Iniciativa 1945 Zig Zag 2045 Everybody Hates Chris, series 2115 National Geographic 2200 News 2240 Fringe, series 2330 Eileen Gray 0030 Notícias da Dots 0200 Iniciativa 0245 Euronews 0500 Sociedade Civil

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TV1
0700 Diário Da Manhã 1015 Vôce na TV! 1300 News 1400 As Tardes da Júlia 1700 Quem quer Ganha 1815 Morangos com Açúcar 0045 News 2130 Flor do Mar 2230 Feitiço de Amor 2330 Olhos nos Olhos 0015 Dirty Sexy Money, series 0130 The Office, series 0200 Cartaz das Artes 0230 Sempre a Somar 0430 The Unit, series 0530 Telesales

BBC3

7.00 Out-takes: US Presidents 7.05 Film: Meet the Fockers 12 (2004) 9.00 My Life As an Animal 10.00 EastEnders. 10.30 Deborah 13: Servant of God 11.30 Family Guy 11.55 Family Guy 12.15 My Life As an Animal 1.15 Deborah 13: Servant of God 2.15 Snog, Marry, Avoid? 2.45 Snog, Marry, Avoid? 3.15 Don't Tell the Bride 4.10 Young Mum's Mansion: The Dads Arrive 5.10 Close

7.00 World News Today 7.00 Weather 7.40 The New Avengers 8.30 Wainwright Walks: Coast to Coast 9.00 Dorset Days - A Year in the Life of Longhorn Jim 10.00 Crooked House 10.30 I've Never Seen Star Wars 11.00 Newsweek with Charlie Brooker 11.30 Dorset Days - A Year in the Life of Longhorn Jim 12.30 I've Never Seen Star Wars 1.00 Newsweek with Charlie Brooker 1.30 Crooked House 2.00 Wainwright Walks: Coast to Coast 2.30 The New Avengers 3.25 Crooked House 3.55 Close

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BBC4
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MOVIES

Sky Movies Drama

6.30 Can't Be Heaven PG (1999) 8.15 The Trench 15 (1999) 10.00 The Other Sister 12 (1999) 12.15 What Dreams May Come 15 (1998) With Robin Williams. 2.15 One True Thing 15 (1998) With Renee Zellweger. 4.30 The Neighbor 12 (2008) With Matthew Modine. 6.15 Flashdancer 15 (1983) With Jennifer Beals. 8.00 Fracture 15 (2007) With Anthony Hopkins. 10.00 Scarface 18 (1983) With Al Pacino. 1.00 Three 15 (2005) With Kelly Brook. 2.45 Killer: A Journal of Murder 18 (1995) With James Woods. 4.30 The End of Eden PG (1996)

Sky Movies Comedy

6.50 The Love Letter 15 (1999) 8.20 Mannequin PG (1987) 9.55 HouseSitter PG (1991) 11.40 Turner & Hooch PG (1989) With Tom Hanks. 12.00 Rush Hour 3 12 (2007) With Jackie Chan. 2.55 So I Married an Axe Murderer 15 (1993) With Mike Myers. 4.35

Sky Movies Action/Thriller

6.10 A Bridge Too Far PG (1977) 9.10 Saving Private Ryan 15 (1998) 12.00 Ocean's Thirteen PG (2007) With George Clooney. 2.10 A Bridge Too Far PG (1977) With Dirk Bogarde. 5.10 Saving Private Ryan 15 (1998) With Tom Hanks. 8.00 Ocean's Thirteen PG (2007) With George Clooney. 10.05 Sudden Death 18 (1995) With Jean-Claude Van Damme. 12.00 Warrior King 18 (2005) With Tony Jaa. 1.55 Dead Presidents 18 (1995) With Larenz Tate. 4.00 Billion Dollar Brain PG (1967)

Sky Movies
6.00 Good Morning Sports 9.00 Hatton v Pacquiao 24/7 9.30 Live Masters Tennis. Day five of the Monte-Carlo Masters. 5.30 Transworld Sport 6.30 Premier League World 7.00 Live Premier League Darts. Round 11 at the Trent FM Arena in Nottingham. 10.30 Time of Our Lives 11.30 Premier League World 12.00 The Club 1.30 Premier League Darts 5.00 Premier League World 5.30 Adrenaline Adventures

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Sky Sports 2

6.00 Live European Tour Golf. The China Open. 10.00 Boots 'n' All 11.00 FIFA Football Mundial 11.30 Total Rugby 12.00 Rallyzone 12.30 Hatton v Pacquiao 24/7 1.00 European Tour Golf 5.00 Hatton v Pacquiao 24/7 5.30 The Rugby Club 7.00 FIFABol Mundial 7.30 Golf Night 9.30 Premier League World 10.00 Live Poker. Coverage of the online Sky Poker Five-0 tournament. 12.00 NFL: Total Access 1.00 Rugby League 3.00 Time of Our Lives 4.00 Premier League World 4.30 Close

Sky Sports 3

6.00 Aerobics Oz Style 6.30 Adrenaline Adventures 7.00 WWE: Experience 8.00 Boots 'n' All 9.00 Squash 10.00 Transworld Sport 11.00 Aerobics Oz Style 11.30 Racing News 12.00 Watersports World 1.00 Boots 'n' All 2.00 Adrenaline Adventures 2.30 Total Rugby 3.00 Watersports World 4.00 Boots 'n' All 5.00 WWE: Vintage Collection 6.00 Adrenaline Adventures 6.30 Race World 7.30 Live Rugby League. Gateshead

British Eurosport

7.30 Olympic Magazine 8.00 UEFA Cup Football 9.00 UEFA Cup Football 10.00 Arm Wrestling 10.30 Strongest Man 11.30 Cycling 12.00 UEFA Cup Football 1.00 Live Cycling. The Tour of Turkey. 3.00 UEFA Cup Football 4.00 World Superbikes 5.00 WTA Tennis 6.00 Live WTA Tennis. The Family Circle Cup. 8.00 Figure Skating 10.00 Cycling 11.00 UEFA Champions League 12.45 Close

Sky Sports Xtra

2.00 Squash 3.00 Great Run Series 3.30 Rallyzone 4.00 Adrenaline Adventures 4.20 High Five 5.00 NFL: Total Access 6.00 Aerobics Oz Style 6.30 High Five 7.00 The Dogs 7.30 The Rugby Club 9.00 Masters Tennis 11.00 The Dogs 11.30 Race World 12.30 Golf Night 2.30 Adrenaline Adventures 3.00 Close

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(S) - programme broadcast in stereo;
(bw) - black and white.



BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. (T) 9.15 Lifegivers. (T) 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer; (R) (T) BBC News: Weather. (T) 11.00 To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) (T) 11.30 Sun, Sea and Bargain Spotting; (T) BBC News: Weather. (T) 12.15 Cash in the Attic. (R) (T) 1.00 BBC News: Weather. (T) 1.30 Regional News: Weather. (T) 1.45 Doctors. (T) 2.15 Diagnosis Murder. (R) (T) 3.00 BBC News: Weather: Regional News. (T) 3.05 CBeebies: Big & Small. (R) (T) 3.15 Grandpa in My Pocket. (R) (T) 3.25 CBBC: Arthur. (T) 3.40 Arthur. (T) 3.55 Uncle Max. (R) (T) 4.05 Animals at Work. (R) (T) 4.35 Trapped. (R) (T) 5.05 Newsround. (T)

5.15 Weakest Link. Anne Robinson hosts the general knowledge quiz in which contestants answer questions as a team, banking the jackpot money and eliminating the poorest players as they go. (T)

6.00 BBC News: Weather. (T)
6.30 Regional News Programmes: Weather. (T)
7.00 The One Show. Live topical show in which reporters uncover the UK's most fascinating stories. Adrian Chiles and Christine Bleakley present. (T)

7.30 A Question of Sport. With heptathlete Kelly Sootheron, former badminton player Gail Emms, Bolton Wanderers' striker Kevin Davies and recently retired undefeated boxer Joe Calzaghe; (T) BBC News: Regional News. (T)

8.00 EastEnders. Jack convinces Roxy to let him spend more time with Amy, but when she cancels their meeting to take care of Ronnie, he threatens to start a custody battle. Shirley seeks comfort in Max as she reminises about Danielle, while Phil's promise to Shirley proves short-lived and he turns to drink again. Nick surprises Dot by installing a stairlift in her home. (T)

8.30 Air Medics. New series following the work of the Great North Air Ambulance. One of the teams battles high waves to reach a coastguard who has been dragged out to sea and crushed against rocks. (T)

9.00 The Real Swiss Family Robinson. Chris Edwarde and Amanda Blanch have run a hotel in Brighton for the past nine years, but the recession has hit them hard and they now face a #1 million debt. Hoping to reassess their priorities and gain a new perspective on family life, they spend three weeks with their two teenage children on an island off Pemba, Tanzania, where they overlook an octopus and struggle to catch a crab. Last in the series. (T)

10.00 BBC News. (T)

10.25 Regional News: Weather. (T)
10.35 Friday Night with Jonathan Ross. The host is joined by guests including star of X-Men Origins: Wolverine Hugh Jackman, comedy actor Martin Clunes and singer-songwriter Lady GaGa. (T)

11.35 The National Lottery EuroMillions Draw. OJ Borg presents coverage of the National Lottery EuroMillions weekly draw. (T)

11.40 FILM: Black Knight (2001). Comedy, starring Martin Lawrence; (T) Weatherview. (T)

1.15 Sign Zone: Horizon. (R) (T) 2.15 Sign Zone: Timewatch: Pyramid - The Last Secret. (R) (T) 3.05 Sign Zone: Gardeners' World Special. (R) (T) 4.05 BBC News. (T)



BBC2

6.00 CBeebies: Tikkabilla. (R) (T) 6.30 Teletubbies. (R) (T) 7.00 Something Special. (R) (T) 7.20 Mister Maker. (R) (T) 8.00 CBBC: Arthur. (R) (T) 8.15 Frankenstein's Cat. (R) (T) 8.25 What's New Scooby-Doo? (R) (T) 8.45 The Secret Show. (R) (T) 9.00 The Story of Tracy Beaker. (R) (T) The Owl. (R) (T) 9.30 Best of Friends. (R) (T) 10.00 The Sorcerer's Apprentice. (T) 11.00 Dangermouse. (R) (T) 11.20 FILM: Space Camp (1986). Children's sci-fi adventure, starring Kate Capshaw. (T) 1.00 Castle in the Country. (R) (T) 1.30 Car Booty. (R) (T) 2.15 Heir Hunters. (R) (T) 3.00 Murder, She Wrote. (R) (T) 3.45 Flog It! (R) (T) 4.30 A Question of Genius. (T) 5.15 Escape to the Country. (T) 6.00 Eggheads. (T) 6.30 Great British Menu. (T) 7.00 The Good Life. Margo has a burglar alarm installed, but Tom and Barbara claim they have nothing left worth stealing. Jerry is convinced he has failed to succeed his boss as head of the firm. (R) (T) 7.30 Mastermind. Subjects include Scott's Last Expedition and Blake's 7. (T) 8.00 Gardeners' World. Toby Buckland plants a "twilight garden". (T) 9.00 Top Dog: Adventures in War, Sea and Ice. The men haul sledges across the sea ice of the Canadian Arctic. Last in the series. (T) 10.00 Genius. Johnny Vegas joins presenter Dave Gorman. (T) 10.30 Newsnight. (T) 11.00 Newsnight Review: (T) Weather. (T) 11.35 Later with Jools Holland. (T) 12.40 Medium. (R) (T) 1.25 Medium. (R) (T) 2.05 FILM: The Beast in the Cellar (1970). Horror, starring Flora Robson. (T) 3.30 Close.

Pick of the Day

Friday Night with Jonathan Ross (BBC1, 10.35pm)

The dust has now well and truly settled after the Andrew Sachs controversy, and love him or loathe him, there's no denying Jonathan Ross is a ratings magnet, and his ability to get the most fabulous guests is unrivalled. Friday Night with Jonathan Ross has long given us an excuse to stay in, as the TV presenter has rubbed shoulders and, more often than not, taken the mickey out of, innumerable A-list celebrities over the years. Dressed in one of his trademark flamboyant suits, which are as colourful as his language, Jonathan is clearly in his element while chatting to his guests, and while he might not have the interviewing skills of Michael Parkinson, he knows how to keep viewers entertained and the undisputed king of chat shows now that Parky has hung up his microphone. The latest edition promises to be something special, and that's entirely down to the quality of tonight's guests. Australian actor Hugh Jackman, who has been voted the 'sexiest man alive' by People magazine, drops by to talk to our host about X-Men Origins: Wolverine, which hits UK cinemas on May 1. Chart-topping American singer-songwriter Lady Gaga also swings by for a chat.

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7.00 Top Gear 8.00 Doctor Who 9.00 Little Britain 9.30 Little Britain 10.00 EastEnders 10.30 Snog, Marry, Avoid? 11.00 Family Guy 11.55 Family Guy 12.15 Home & Garden 12.45 My Life As An Animal 1.45 Snog, Marry, Avoid? 2.15 Snog, Marry, Avoid? 2.45 Home & Garden 3.15 Two Paints: Fags, Lads and Kebabs 4.15 Doctor Who Confidential: Desert Storm 5.00 Close

BBC4

7.00 World News Today 7.00 Weather 7.30 Jazz 625: Thelonius Monk 8.05 4 Better 4 Worse: The Anatomy Of A String Quartet 9.00 Storyville: The Jazz Barometers 10.25 Jazz 625: Art Blakey 11.35 Mad Men 12.25 The New Avengers 1.15 Storyville: The Jazz Barones 2.40 4 Better 4 Worse: The Anatomy Of A String Quartet 3.35 Close

ITV2
1.00 Emmerdale Family Album 1.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show 2.35 The Jeremy Kyle Show 3.45 Loose Women 4.45 Ricki Lake 5.25 Sally Jessy Raphael 6.15 Creature Comforts 6.30 Britain's Got Talent 8.00 Britain's Got More Talent 9.00 American Idol 10.00 Katie & Peter: Stateside 11.00 Coronation Street 11.30 Coronation Street 12.00 The Justin Lee Collins Show 1.00 American Idol 2.00 Hey Paula! 2.20 Teleshopping 5.20 ITV2 Nightshifts

Sky1

1.00 Stargate SG-1 2.00 Bones 3.00 Cold Case 4.00 Lion Man 4.30 Malcolm in the Middle 5.00 Bondi Vet 5.30 Futurama 6.00 Futurama

MOVIES

Sky Movies Drama

6.15 Loss of Faith PG (1997) 8.00 Omenig 12 (1999) 10.00 A Soldier's Story 15 (1984) 11.45 Cleaverine 12 (2007) With Ever Carradine, 1.20 West Side Story PG (1961) With Natalie Wood, 4.00 Forces of Nature 12 (1999) With Sandra Bullock, 5.50 The Namesake 12 (2006) With Kal Penn, 8.00 Rendition (2007) With Reese Witherspoon, 10.20 Becoming Jane PG (2006) With Anne Hathaway, 12.15 American Gigolo 18 (1980) With Richard Gere, 2.15 Titus 18 (1999) With Anthony Hopkins, 5.00 Malpractice PG (2001)

Sky Movies Comedy

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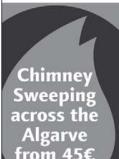
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Palm Sunday at All Saints

During a ceremony at All Saint's Anglican Church in Almancil, Jacques Joubert received a blessing for his new role as an acolyte. From left: Rev'd Jackie Nevill, Rev'd Paul Luckman, Father Joe Wingo and Jacques. See page 56 for details of All Saints Easter Services.

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**The Empty Tomb**

proof."

At those words, Renee's doubts disappeared. That spring day, only a few weeks before Easter, she began a personal relationship with the One who had died for hersins and whorose again after three days. It was a joy to see her faith grow over the next few years.

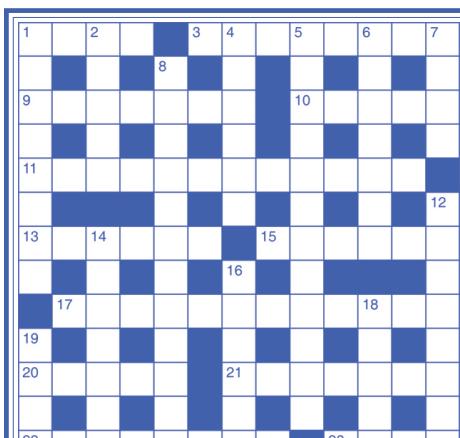
Only a few years after her conversion experience, I received a phone call from Renee's young husband. They had been married only ten months when Renee was diagnosed with an acute form of leukemia. She died within weeks of the diagnosis. Her husband was devastated but because he shared her hope in Christ, he wanted her personal story of faith in Christ to be shared at her funeral. "You were there," he said. "Can you tell me how it happened?"

The spring of our junior year of high school, Renee attended a church retreat with me. It seemed to her that the speaker had prepared each of his messages with her in mind. After one of the sessions, Renee excused herself from free time to go speak some more with him. After talking for a while the pastor asked her,

"Renee, what is keeping you from placing your trust in Jesus Christ?"

"I just need proof," she answered.

"Renee, the empty tomb is your

**ACROSS**

- 1. Ornamental belt (4)
- 3. Depose (8)
- 9. Feat (7)
- 10. Topic (5)
- 11. Gamble (4,3,5)
- 13. Pottery fragments (6)
- 15. Indifference (6)
- 17. Gratitude (12)
- 20. Boredom (5)
- 21. Voter (7)
- 22. Bar (8)
- 23. Overtake (4)
- 1. Bashful (8)
- 2. Dark brown (5)
- 4. Exact (6)
- 5. Revivalist preacher (3-9)
- 6. Gluttonise (7)
- 7. Always (4)
- 8. Private (12)
- 12. Ugly sights (8)
- 14. Heighten (7)
- 16. Vex (6)
- 18. Additional (5)
- 19. Profound (4)

Crossword No. 236

QUICK SOLUTIONS Nº: 235

Across: 6 Greatly; 7 Start; 9 Piety; 10 Arrival; 12 Provocation; 14 Incredulity; 18 Clarity; 19 Droll; 21 Adult; 22 Succour.
Down: 1 Trait; 2 Halter; 3 Ale; 4 Strict; 5 Creator; 8 Trickle; 11 Avidity; 13 Include; 15 Rarely; 16 Thrice; 17 Flout; 20 Hue.

Last weeks solution:

1	6	8	4	3	2	5	9	7
5	3	2	1	7	9	4	8	6
7	9	4	8	5	6	1	2	3
4	8	7	6	9	5	2	3	1
2	5	6	3	1	7	8	4	9
9	1	3	2	8	4	6	7	5
3	4	5	7	6	8	9	1	2
8	7	9	5	2	1	3	6	4
6	2	1	9	4	3	7	5	8

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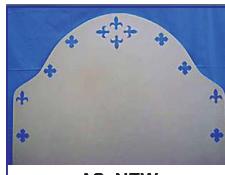
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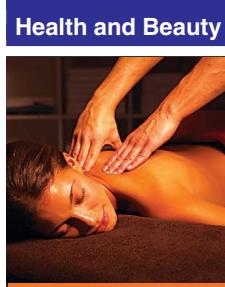
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The Dragons of Oporto made the Red Devils of Manchester look every bit like a bunch of overrated and overpaid schoolboys they are so often accused of being, as a team on a shoe-string budget, but with a clear love of the club they represent, taught them a football lesson in European football.

It took only a minute for FC Porto to make their intentions clear as Lisandro Lopez forced a save out of Edwin Van Der Sar.

But the warning was not heeded, and within four minutes, Cristiano Rodriguez had put the visitors ahead.

The goal came after Cristiano Ronaldo carelessly gave the ball away. Making matters worse, he did not make the slightest effort to recover the lost ball, before the highly-rated Johnny Evans side-footed a ball into the path of the Uruguayan international for him to score.

Despite all the post-mortems and lamenting of Manchester United's inadequate defence, they were all first-choice international players and one was later substituted by another international, Gary Neville.

Rather, it should be FC Porto who should be left feeling hard-done-by defensively.

The Portuguese champions, not content with being a goal up,

continued slicing through Manchester United's flat-footed defence like a hot knife through butter.

But an irresponsible back-pass from one of Portugal's best defenders this season, Bruno Alves, handed an opportunistic Wayne Rooney the chance to cooly equalise past a wrong-footed Helton.

Suddenly Manchester United were on level terms, and the Old Trafford faithful sensed a stroke of fortune might just be what their team needed to take hold of the match and inject some inspiration into their lacklustre team.

But it was not to be.

Instead, and unperturbed by giving away a needless goal, the FC Porto attack, brilliantly backed up by midfield maestro and captain, Lucho Gonzalez, found holes in the United armoury with consummate ease.

After the break, and perhaps after receiving one of Sir Alex Ferguson's famous ear-lashings, United managed to balance the run of play and transfer the battle zone from their shaky defence to a slightly more composed midfield.

It was not until five minutes before the end that the electronic scoreboard at Old Trafford was to change.

A long and precise throw-in by

Gary Neville (he can still do those) was received by Wayne Rooney, whose neat back-flick found substitute Carlitos Tevez in the small box, who made no mistake, hammering the ball into the roof of the net.

But Manchester United's immaturity and arrogance was on view for all to see five minutes later.

A wave of FC Porto attackers, obviously in search of an equaliser were met by four Manchester United defenders as the remainder or perhaps the more illustrious members of the team deemed it unnecessary to secure the win by helping out at the back.

A cross into the box was only flicked on by John O'Shea - who had left the man he was marking to do so, while Gary Neville, faced with two men to mark, chose the first attacker, only to leave Mariano free at the far post to net a deserved goal, leaving the final score at 2-2.

FC Porto now host Manchester United in Oporto next Wednesday evening knowing that a goalless, or even a 1-1 draw will be sufficient for the Portuguese team to look at repeating their heroics of 2004.

History also counts in FC Porto's favour, as they have never lost at home to English opposition.



Manchester United's Ji-Sung Park is challenged for the ball by FC Porto's Fernando during their UEFA Champions League quarter final match played at the Old Trafford stadium on Tuesday. (Photo: EPA/Nick Wilkinson)

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